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How would you pay for new transit?

Consultation sessions. Mayor Ford opposes all tax and fee funding options on the table

Mayor Rob Ford and his executive committee voted Tuesday to ask Torontonians how they'd prefer to pay for new transit lines — even though Ford said he opposes all of the funding options on the table.

The public will consider 17 possibilities. They include regional taxes on gas, income, property, sales, and commercial parking spaces; highway tolls; a car-registration tax like the one council eliminated at Ford's urging in 2010; and a downtown car "congestion levy" like the one in London, England.

The public-consultation sessions will set off a politically delicate chain of events that may or may not result in new laws.

Council will take residents' input into account when making recommendations to Metrolinx in April or May. Metrolinx, a provincial agency, will be issuing its own recommendations in June on how to come up with the extra $2 billion per year needed to implement its ambitious 25-year regional plan, The Big Move.

Many of the proposed measures could only be approved by the province. Others would require an agreement between Toronto and its neighbours.

Ford said prior to the vote that he does not support any new taxes, tolls or fees. Instead, he said, the city should seek partnerships with the private sector. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

It's our problem

"It would really be naive if we thought that Halton, Mississauga, Markham, Unionville, Stouffville ... wanted to contribute to our Downtown Relief Line."

TTC chair Karen Stintz, who says the city is wasting its time consulting the public on funding options outside its jurisdiction

JUMP-BALL JAM

Coun. Doug Ford gives Jaden Gray, 9, a boost at the tipoff while supervising kids at an after-school program in Etobicoke on Tuesday. Ford took a page from his brother's playbook, launching the Rexdale Raiders basketball program, geared towards youths who live in the 900 Queen's Plate housing block, a Toronto Community Housing complex. If Rexdale Raiders sounds familiar, it's because it's the same name as one of the mayor's football teams. RICK MADONIK/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Overheard in the hallways

Students say Gay-Straight Alliance clubs make school a nicer place to be in PAGE 3

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Ex-football icon rambles on at his sentencing, where he's handed 30 years in prison PAGE 8

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$1M ad campaign

TTC workers take their message to the movies

The TTC workers' union is fighting back against a recent move to contract out its members' jobs. A million-dollar ad campaign will try to persuade the public of the value and expertise of the people who keep the system running behind the scenes.

In addition to a dedicated website, the Protecting What Matters campaign — including 90-second ads in movie theatres and 30-second TV spots — comes after a recent cost-cutting decision by the Toronto Transit Commission to hire privatized bus cleaners.

"We believe that there is not enough information out there related to the work our members provide. We want to better inform the public of the responsibilities our members behind the scenes have and the dedication they have," said Amalgamated Transit Union president Bob Kinnear.

The ads also emphasize that the TTC is the most efficient transit system in North America, recovering the highest rate of operating costs from the fare box.

"It's our members that provide that efficiency," he said.

The ads feature stories about TTC workers on and off the job, including one about maintenance workers who came up with an idea for refurbishing batteries that has saved the system millions of dollars.

The campaign will last about six weeks.

"We think that when you're talking about a $1.5 billion cost (of) transit, we think a million-dollar cost to better inform the public, the (TTC) commissioners, Mayor (Rob) Ford — we think it's money well-spent," said Kinnear.

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Youth activist gets ultimate shout-out

Craig Kielburger, Free The Children founder and international activist, centre, poses with students Madison McDonald and Justin Walters during the official opening of Craig Kielburger Secondary School in Milton on Tuesday. The two students, together with fellow members of the school's Global Council Group, spearheaded the petition to have the new school named after Kielburger. CONTRIBUTED

Rallies may have temporarily curbed sex assaults: Detective

Bloor-Christie area.
But lull in attacks ended Thanksgiving weekend

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A series of sexual assaults that had residents of the Bloor-Christie neighbourhood protesting on the streets this summer may have started up again, with three assaults committed over the Thanksgiving weekend, police say.

The initial assaults in July and August prompted residents to hold a rally against sexual assault in Christie Pits on Sept. 3. The annual Take Back the Night march, organized by the Toronto Rape Crisis Centre, was held Sept. 15 and a new Take Back the Block event against sexual assault was held the same night.

However, the attacks started up again over Thanksgiving weekend when a suspect sexually assaulted two women within five minutes of each other on Saturday night near Montrose Avenue and College Street. The same suspect is wanted in a sexual assault that occurred at Grace Street near Bloor Street on Sunday night.

Sex crimes Det. Sue Kernohan said it's "quite possible" that the anti-sexual assault activism was responsible for a lull in attacks, but it's premature to say what may have caused a lull.

"We did have a lot of attention in that area. There were a lot of media releases, police attention, it's possible that working in conjunction with the public, it had an effect," Kernohan said.

Kernohan said that while the pattern of the assaults and suspect descriptions matched a string of about 10 assaults committed in the area over the summer, police have not yet proved a link.

Steph Guthrie was an organizer of the Take Back the Block parties, which were meant to make communities safer by encouraging people to spend time out in the streets and interacting with their neighbours.

"I'd be very happy if we played any role at all in deterring assault in the interim between early September and now. Although, as I understand, there have been many, many other assaults that have been happening," said Guthrie. "It would be great if this guy — and it does sound very much like it's the same guy — had been kept in a corner for awhile because he knows that Take Back the Block is happening, but I'm not sure that's necessarily the case."

Guthrie said she's worried that police haven't devoted enough resources, especially when it appeared the suspect had stopped the assaults.

"It's great if community members do what Take Back the Block has encouraged, and make more active use of their community space to try and deter assaults, but if the police are not very religious patrolling that area then he's not going to be caught because he runs away every time," she said.

Quoted

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Steph Guthrie, Take Back the Block protest organizer

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The suspect

In each of the assaults, the suspect approaches the woman in the late evening from behind, sexually assaults her and flees. The suspect is described as a "heavy, stocky or tubby" black man, ranging in height from five-foot-five to five-foot-10 with very short hair or a shaved head. He has been seen wearing a baseball cap and sometimes a two-tone grey jacket.

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In GSAs, it's the 'gay' that matters, students say

Taking a stand against bullying. Students tout benefits of gay-straight alliances in Toronto schools

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One of the best moments of Matthew Bawcutt's Grade 11 year came just after he heard another student say, "Oh, that's so gay."

"I was going to say something," he said. "But before I could, someone else said, 'Hey, why are you saying that, that's wrong.'"

Bawcutt is a champion of the word "gay," saying it goes to the heart of the problem of homophobia in schools and the controversy over gay-straight alliances (GSAs).

"If you're not allowed to call it a GSA — a gay-straight alliance — it's because it has the word 'gay' in it. That is saying 'gay' is a negative term. That is what you're putting in everyone's mind — that 'gay' equals bad," he said. "And then it's kind of just training (students) to say that and, then, eventually, it turns into homophobia."

The provincial anti-bullying legislation that forces schools to allow GSAs quietly came into effect at the beginning of the school year. The threat of a court challenge of the new law hasn't yet materialized, but it hasn't gone away.

One of the big sticking points is letting the students use the word "gay" in the clubs' names.

Bawcutt organized a meeting with fellow students Rachel Carnat-Rabess and Daniel Lastres at a restaurant on the Danforth, at which they talked to Metro about the clubs that have caused the furor.

"We find out about queer issues in the world and talk about them and how they affect us," Carnat-Rabess said. "Just knowing there are other queer people, being around them, being able to talk and socialize — it's really important."

Bawcutt, who restarted the GSA at Birchmount Park Collegiate Institute two years ago, said he credits the club with changing his school, reducing homophobic "that's so gay" comments in the hallways and making LGBT students feel safer.

"Also, it makes coming out so much easier," Carnat-Rabess said.

"So much easier," Lastres agreed. "I remember in Grade 9, I wasn't exactly homophobic, but I was so insecure that I would offend gay people. But then I went to a GSA and I would feel better about myself."

Both Carnat-Rabess and Lastres, now Grade 12 students at Rosedale Heights School of the Arts, began attending the school's GSA in Grade 9 and came out in Grade 10.

For Lastres, it was an eye-opening experience. He graduated from a Catholic elementary school and recalls the first shock of meeting openly gay students at the club.

Lastres said he understands where the religious opposition comes from and suggested the Catholic schools that oppose GSAs take "baby steps" and start with tolerance clubs.

"I feel like they should at least have a safe space for people who are, you know, queer," he said. "Maybe they don't have to call it GSA."

But for Bawcutt, the name is the most important thing. "I truly and honestly believe that no one is born racist and no one is born homophobic. It is a learned process," he said. "Just like you can learn to be homophobic, you can learn not to be."

"It's going to be hard to teach them," Lastres said.

"That's the point," Bawcutt said. "How do you bridge that gap between not wanting to understand and understanding?"

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Matthew Bawcutt, student at Birchmount Park Collegiate Institute

"It's not really fair for queer, LGBT kids not to have a safe space. I was in a Catholic school before and even though I wasn't out, I did feel I had to stay low. There are students who are gay and can't really express themselves, because there's no safe area."
Daniel Lastres

"The comments those people (who oppose gay-straight alliances) make are so ignorant. They just do not understand what they are — which is too bad, because it's not really that hard to be compassionate to people who are different from you."
Rachel Carnat-Rabess

"I just don't know what would happen if I was in a school without a GSA. The GSA has made me a stronger, more confident person and it's made me be able to help so many others. And helping others is really important to me."
Matthew Bawcutt

Daniel Lastres, left, Rachel Carnat-Rabess and Matthew Bawcutt meet on the Danforth last Thursday. JESSICA SMITH/METRO

Bullying law is vulnerable: Constitutional expert

Teacher adviser Natasha Garda leads the gay-straight alliance at Westwood Middle School on Carlaw Avenue in Toronto. Parents and groups opposed to the province's anti-bullying bill could launch a constitutional challenge. BERNARD WEIL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

The new law that forces schools to let students set up gay-straight alliance clubs has been in effect since September without anyone launching a constitutional challenge, so far.

A local parents' rights group says it's the prospect of high legal costs that's keeping Catholic parents from taking the provincial government to court.

"The school boards have tax money, the government has tax money — they can spend all they want, but we can't," said Lou Iacobelli, chairperson of the Parental Rights in Education Defence Fund. "We can't do it. We don't have the money."

As the bill was passed over the summer, conservative religious groups opposed it and said it could not withstand a constitutional challenge in court. The bill also faced opposition from the Ontario Assembly of Catholic Bishops of Ontario, which sets the policy of Ontario Catholic schools — to respect homosexual students, protect them from bullying and teach them chastity.

The Parental Rights in Education Defence Fund, a relatively new group, made recent headlines for helping to bankroll a Hamilton parent who demanded the local school board give him advance notice when gay and lesbian rights and other sensitive discussions are raised in his children's classes.

While Iacobelli said he believes anti-bullying legislation does violate parental rights, he says parents alone would be hard-pressed to raise enough money to fight to the Supreme Court.

"If we get a large donation and we get the funds, and we get a case that we think has merit, then we're going to do it," he said.

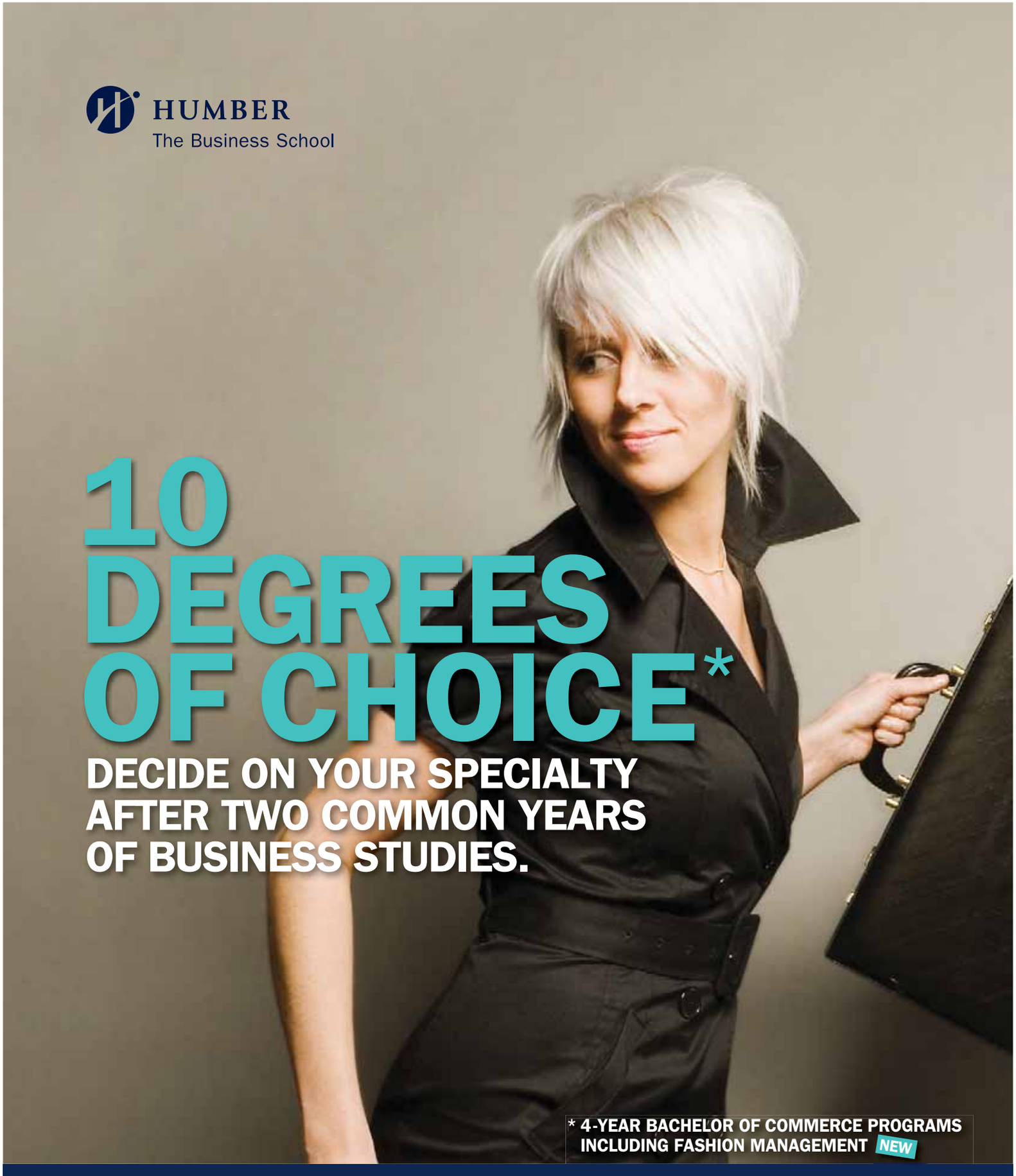
Cardus, a Hamilton-based think-tank "dedicated to the renewal of North American social architecture," hired expert constitutional lawyer Eugene Meehan to examine the bill. Meehan found it was vulnerable to a legal challenge because it infringes on the guarantee of a public Catholic education system, which dates back to Confederation and was reaffirmed in the Charter.

"By encroaching denominational aspects of a school's functioning for the purpose of preventing prejudice, Bill 13 oxymoronically risks prejudicing minority religious groups," Meehan wrote in the legal review.

JESSICA SMITH/METRO

Federal appeal?

- Constitutional lawyer Eugene Meehan says parents of Catholic-school students could use the Constitution Act to appeal directly to the federal cabinet to overturn the bill because they believe it offends Canada's denominational schooling guarantees.
- That route could result in high court costs, and, as Meehan writes, it has never been used before. "It must be pointed out that no federal cabinet has used its remedial power to overturn a provincial law affecting denominational schooling," he notes.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Ex-Argonaut testifies at fraud trial

Walter Garrick trial.
Damon Allen says he lost a $45,000 investment after meeting Garrick through former coach

As testimony continues in the fraud trial of Walter Garrick, another member of the Toronto Argonauts football team, former quarterback Damon Allen, took the stand Tuesday.

Allen, 49, said the 47-year-old Oakville man gained his trust through his close friend and former head coach of the CFL team, Michael "Pinball" Clemons.

The 23-year career player said Clemons introduced him to Garrick at training camp in 2004. When he learned his friend had given Garrick money with promises to invest it, Allen wanted in.

"I told Mike I wanted to be involved," Allen said on the stand. "I started investing money purely because of the relationship I had with Michael."

In the end, Allen said he invested $45,000, none of which was returned.

Garrick has been charged with 10 counts of fraud and theft between 2004 and 2007. The list of complainants includes Clemons, Allen and three others expected to testify.

The Crown's case against Garrick alleges he posed as an Ivy League businessman who attended Columbia University, where he met several wealthy individuals and came into large sums of money through his own investments.

Clemons testified last week that Garrick took $57,000 of his money, the majority of which was not returned.

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Testimony

"If I would see Walter, he would say 'Things are looking good'"
Damon Allen, former Argonaut player

Mo' money, mo' moustaches, at Metro

Metro Toronto has a new plaque going up on its walls. It's recognition for the newspaper's support of Movember — a month-long awareness campaign that sees men grow moustaches to fundraise for men's health, particularly prostate cancer. From left, Fernando Carneiro, national deputy editor, Bill McDonald, president, Pete Bombaci and Matt Matheson with Movember, and Charlotte Empey, editor-in-chief. DAVID VAN DYKE/METRO

Mississauga

Cyclist, 27, dead after collision

A 27-year-old cyclist was killed in a collision with a transport truck Tuesday in Mississauga. The victim succumbed to his injuries at the scene, police said. The accident happened around 9:10 a.m. on Airport Road near Northwest Dr. An hour later, the victim's body was still on the road, covered by a bloodstained white tarp. Police are asking witnesses to contact 905-453-3311 ext. 3710. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Holiday shopping

City should let shops open: Report

Toronto retailers should be permitted to open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on statutory holidays Victoria Day, Canada Day, Labour Day and Thanksgiving, a city report says. A survey showed that of 81 Ontario municipalities that have holiday shopping, more than 90 per cent let stores open on those holidays that fall within tourist season. Toronto has been able to change hours since 2006 but hasn't. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Supersonic. Ill winds blow, so skydiver puts off 37-kilometre free fall

Extreme athlete Felix Baumgartner cancelled his planned death-defying 37-kilometre free fall Tuesday because of high winds.

It was the second time this week he has been forced to postpone his quest to be the first supersonic skydiver.

The former military parachutist from Austria had planned to ride a pressurized capsule carried aloft by a 55-storey, ultra-thin helium balloon into the stratosphere, and then jump in a specially designed suit.

Because the balloon is so delicate, it can only take flight if winds are 3.2 km/h or below. Baumgartner, 43, was suited up when video showed winds whipping the balloon around. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Tempting tragedy

What are the risks? One is called "boiling blood":

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Don't panic: Official

The 'brain-eating amoeba' kills 10

A waterborne parasite commonly known as "brain-eating amoeba" has killed 10 people in Pakistan, an official says.

The amoeba lives in warm, unclean water and can infect the human nervous system, though this is rare. In those cases it can lead to death in a week.

Musa Khan, in charge of the WHO's Disease Early Warning System in Pakistan, said the deaths were reported in Karachi. He said people get the disease by swimming in dirty water or cleaning their nostrils with contaminated water. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sex predator Sandusky will end his days in jail

A 30- to 60-year term. U.S. judge calls him dangerous and says he betrayed children and abused their trust

Reviled ex-football icon Jerry Sandusky was sentenced Tuesday to at least 30 years in prison — effectively a life sentence.

But he was defiant to the end in the child sexual-abuse scandal that brought shame to Penn State.

"In my heart I know I did not do these … disgusting acts," he told a Pennsylvania court.

He also gave a rambling statement in which he talked about his life in prison and the pain of being away from his family.

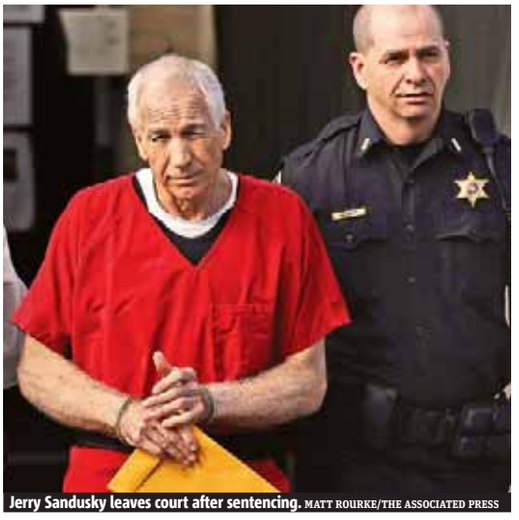
"I've forgiven, I've been forgiven," he said.

"I've comforted others, I've been comforted. I've been kissed by dogs, I've been bit by dogs.

"I've conformed, I've also been different. I've been me. I've been loved, I've been hated."

Three victims spoke, often fighting back tears. One looked Sandusky in the eyes at times. Two of the men exchanged a long embrace after court was adjourned.

The 68-year-old former Penn State assistant coach was found guilty in June of 45 counts of child sexual abuse, convicted of molesting 10 boys over a 15-year period. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Jerry Sandusky leaves court after sentencing. MATT ROURKE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Canadian victims

The Jerry Sandusky case has sent ripples of revulsion into Canada.

- **The James scandal.** Two of former junior hockey coach Graham James's sexual-abuse victims say they would like Canada to follow the U.S. in handing out harsh sentences to sexual predators.
- **Fleury.** Former Calgary Flames forward Theo Fleury says it's important to send a message that child sexual abuse is not taken lightly. He blames the federal government for a lack of leadership.
- **Kennedy.** Sheldon Kennedy would like tougher sentences as well. But he says longer jail terms are not the only answer. Canada, he says, is on the right track by educating the public.

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Pin-up model shimmies way to green card

Science, technology and ... burlesque?
Canadian lands immigrant status in U.S. for her 'extraordinary ability'

Bettina May CONTRIBUTED

Bettina May can shimmy like nobody else and she's convinced U.S. immigration authorities of it.

The Canadian burlesque performer and pin-up model managed to get her U.S. green card as a "resident alien of extraordinary ability," a category reserved for scientists, IT specialists, athletes, celebrities and someone "unique in their field."

Her first plans now that she has landed immigrant status in the United States? A trip home to Victoria, B.C.

"First and foremost, it means I can come back to Canada to see my parents. I haven't been able to go home for two and a half years," May said while she was waiting for her green card.

Leaving the U.S. would have meant "a very slim chance of getting back in," she said.

May launched her career, based on her vintage 1940s style, in Canada 10 years ago as a pin-up model and moved to New York in 2009.

Self-employed, she sponsored herself in her application to stay in the U.S.

"New York is the best city in the world for burlesque and I can make a living here. But Toronto also has an awesome burlesque scene," she said. "Now I'll be able to visit the other half of Canada and know I can come back to New York."

She also runs "pin-up class workshops" that teach women the art of makeup and hair styles that hearken to the World War II glamour girl era.

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'Excessively punitive'

UN targets feds' justice reforms

The federal government's tough-on-crime agenda is "excessively punitive" for youth and a step backwards for Canada's child rights record, says a United Nations group.

The committee says Canada's Youth Criminal Justice Act complied with international standards until changes were introduced earlier this year.

The Harper government's Bill C-10, which includes stiffer penalties for youth and makes it easier to try them as adults, no longer conforms to the child rights convention.

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Tainted beef. XL Foods says safety problems fixed at Alberta plant

The owners of the Alberta plant involved in the massive recall of beef products says it has fixed all the problems that forced food safety officials to shut it down.

Inspectors from the Canadian Food Inspection Agency were in Brooks, Alta., Tuesday for a pre-inspection of the facility that processes more than one-third of Canada's beef.

Brian Nilsson, CEO of XL Foods Inc., says it has completed all the corrective actions the agency requested since it was closed on Sept. 27 due to problems including the management of E. coli risk, maintenance and sanitation.

In a release, he also says the company deeply regrets the illnesses caused by the eating of beef products.

The number of illnesses linked to beef from the plant stands at 11 people from four provinces.

Agriculture Minister Gerry Ritz says the pre-inspection is only the first of a multi-stage process XL Foods must go through before it will be allowed to resume operating and no date has been set for it to reopen.

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Malala Yousufzai is transported to a helicopter in Mingora, Pakistan on Tuesday, to be taken to Peshawar for treatment. A Taliban gunman walked up to a bus taking children home from school and shot and wounded the 14-year-old activist known for championing the education of girls. SHERIN ZADA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Taliban gunman shoots teenage activist on bus

Pakistan. 14-year-old who championed education of girls and publicized atrocities expected to survive

Fourteen-year-old Malala Yousufzai was admired across a battle-scarred region of Pakistan for exposing the Taliban's atrocities and advocating for girls' education in the face of religious extremists. On Tuesday, the Taliban nearly killed her to quiet her message.

A gunman walked up to a bus taking children home from school in the volatile northern Swat Valley and shot Malala in the head and neck. Another girl on the bus was also wounded.

The young activist was airlifted by helicopter to a military hospital in the frontier city of Peshawar. A doctor in the city of Mingora, Tariq Mohammad, said her wounds weren't life-threatening, but a provincial information minister said after a medical board examined the girl that the next few days would be crucial.

Malala began writing a blog when she was just 11 under the pseudonym Gul Makai for the BBC about life under the Taliban, and began speaking out publicly in 2009 about the need for girls' education — which the Taliban strongly opposes. The extremist movement was quick to claim responsibility for shooting her.

"This was a new chapter of obscenity, and we have to finish this chapter," said Taliban spokesman Ahsanullah Ahsan. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Speaking out

- In her BBC blog, Malala wrote about not wearing her uniform to school after officials warned it might attract the Taliban's attention.
- She also wrote about how the Taliban movement had kept her family from going out after sunset.

Human rights

Pussy Riot up for EU award

The European Parliament included Russian punk band Pussy Riot among its finalists for the European Union's Sakharov human rights prize on Tuesday.

Three members of the Pussy Riot band have been given a two-year prison sentence for hooliganism after they performed a "punk prayer" against President Vladimir Putin at Moscow's main cathedral. The sentence provoked an international outcry that has embarrassed the government of President Vladimir Putin. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Shooting. Alabama student killed by campus police wasn't armed

A nude University of South Alabama freshman had taken LSD and assaulted others before he chased the campus police officer who fatally shot him, authorities said Tuesday, though the student wasn't armed.

Mobile County Sheriff Sam Cochran said at a news conference that 18-year-old Gil Collar took the drug during a music festival Saturday before assaulting two people in vehicles and attempting to bite a woman's arm.

Authorities said Collar then went to the campus police headquarters, where he was shot by university police officer Trevis Austin. Austin is on leave while investigators review the shooting. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Thanksgiving tragedy.
Father blames booze for brawl and stepson's death

The father of a man accused of killing his half-brother at a Thanksgiving get-together in Winnipeg early Monday said the two brothers started fighting after the victim's girlfriend tried to keep a few bottles of wine purchased by the accused.

"She wanted the booze that was there," said Peter Desjarlais, whose son, Justin Frederick Larche, 22, has been charged with manslaughter in the death of his half-brother Christopher Barry Larche, 25. "So she told Christopher to take all the wine and bring it upstairs and she got the two boys fighting."

Police said Christopher and his girlfriend, who lived together in a two-storey home, had invited the victim's mother and brother over for Thanksgiving when a fight broke out between the two brothers during the early morning hours.

Although family members tried to intervene, police allege the accused man armed himself with a knife and stabbed the victim in the upper body.

Police and emergency services found Christopher suffering from stab wounds in the home's front yard around 2:10 a.m. He was taken to hospital in critical condition but later died of his injuries.

Justin Larche, the accused. FACEBOOK

Desjarlais, who is the accused's birth father and victim's stepfather, told Metro both worked with him at his Winnipeg-based basement repair company and always got along well together.

"They were very close," he said. "They don't fight together, those boys. This has shocked me right up."

Christopher and his girlfriend have a four- or five-month-old baby boy, said Desjarlais, and they also lived with the girlfriend's 12-year-old daughter from a previous relationship.

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Woman hopes memoir will help her escape Polanski's shadow

New insights.
Samantha Geimer penning tell-all on Polanski case and life afterward

The former teen whom Roman Polanski was convicted of having sex with — leading to the director's flight from the U.S. — is writing a memoir.

Samantha Geimer, now 47, has a deal with Atria Books for The Girl: Emerging from the Shadow of Roman Polanski. Atria announced Tuesday that the book will come out next fall. According to Atria, Geimer provides "insight into many dimensions of the story that have never previously been revealed."

"I am more than 'Sex Victim Girl,' a tag the media pinned on me," Geimer, who long ago identified herself as Polanski's victim, said in an Atria release. "My friends in junior high, scolded by their parents to stay away from that girl, also labeled me. I offer my story now without rage, but with purpose — to share a tale that in its detail will reclaim my identity. I have been dogged by tired thinking and easy tags nearly my entire life. I am not a stick figure. I know what it is like to be a woman and a victim in the realest possible way."

Roman Polanski, seen here at the 65th Cannes Film Festival, is a major player in a new book by Samantha Geimer, right, pictured arriving at the premiere of the documentary Roman Polanski: Wanted and Desired.
LEFT: JOEL RYAN; RIGHT: PETER KRAMER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Geimer's attorney, Lawrence Silver, will add "his insights on the many fascinating and even shocking legal aspects of the story" to the book.

Polanski was accused of plying Geimer with champagne and part of a Quaalude during a 1977 modeling shoot at Jack Nicholson's house and raping her. He pleaded guilty to one count of unlawful sexual intercourse.

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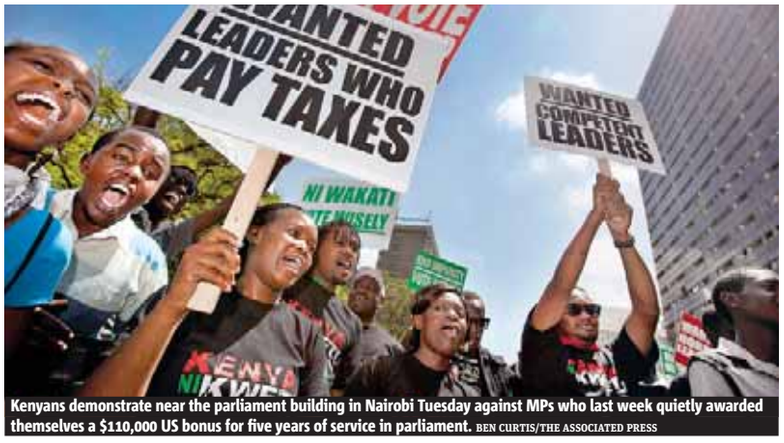

Kenyans demonstrate near the parliament building in Nairobi Tuesday against MPs who last week quietly awarded themselves a $110,000 US bonus for five years of service in parliament. BEN CURTIS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Kenyans protest MPs' bid for hefty bonuses

Activists say. Motion on bonus hike passed with only 30 legislators present; constitution bans parliament from setting its own pay

Kenyans expressed outrage Tuesday over what has become a common move by the country's members of parliament — awarding themselves hefty perks far above what the typical Kenyan family lives on.

The legislators last week quietly awarded themselves a bonus and a majority of the parliamentarians who have served the full five-year term that ends in January will get $110,000 US.

At least 100 people, including a popular Kenyan musician, protested outside parliament shouting "thieves" and urging the president not to approve the pay bill.

Kenya's 222 legislators currently make about $120,000 US a year. The minimum wage is about $1,500 US a year. Nearly half of Kenyans live below the poverty line. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Squabble over islands shakes Japan's economy

Territorial dispute. Chinese consumers cancel tours, send auto sales plummeting

The craggy island specks in the East China Sea aren't even an economic backwater. They have no factories, no highways, no shops, no people — only goats. But the high-pitched row between Beijing and Tokyo over their ownership is exacting a growing toll on Japan, threatening to send its recovery from last year's disasters into reverse.

Sales of Japanese cars in China are in a free-fall. At the China Open last weekend, a representative of Sony Corp., which is a sponsor of the tennis tournament, was loudly booed at the title presentation for the women's final. Chinese tourists are cancelling trips to Japan in droves. And some analysts say Japan's economy will shrink in the last three months of the year.

The business and economic shockwaves come after Japan last month nationalized the tiny islands, called Senkaku in Japan and Diaoyu in China, which were already under Tokyo's control but are also claimed by Beijing. The move set off violent protests in China, and a widespread call to boycott Japanese goods. Toyota Motor Corp. and Honda Motor Co. dealerships were burned down in one city.

Seeing footage of Toyota cars getting smashed by angry rioters, Toyota president Akio Toyoda had looked almost tearful, confiding in reporters: "I couldn't bear to watch. It hurt as though I was getting beaten."

A report by J.P. Morgan, released Tuesday, projected Japanese auto exports to China will crash 70 per cent during the October-December period. The export of auto parts will slip by 40 per cent — about the same drop estimated for exports of other consumer products. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Schoolchildren receive a free midday meal at a government school in Jammu, India, on Tuesday. The UN has revised its startling 2009 announcement that one billion people in the world were hungry. CHANNI ANAND/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

UN says 1B-hungry-people projection was too high

The United Nations now says its 2009 headline-grabbing announcement that one billion people in the world were hungry was off target and that the number is actually more like 870 million.

The UN Food and Agriculture Organization blamed flawed methodology and poor data for the bum projection, and said it now uses a much more accurate set of parameters and statistics to calculate its annual estimate of the world's hungry.

FAO issued its 2012 state of food insecurity report on Tuesday, and its core point was to set the record straight about the number of the world's undernourished people, applying the more accurate data retroactively back to 1990.

And the good news, FAO said, is that the number of hungry people has actually been declining steadily over the past two decades, although progress has slowed since the 2007-2008 food crises and the global economic downturn.

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By the numbers

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The UN Food and Agriculture Organization said if the right action is taken now to boost growth and invest in agriculture, particularly in poor countries, the UN goal of reducing by one half the number of the world's hungry people by 2015 is very much within reach.

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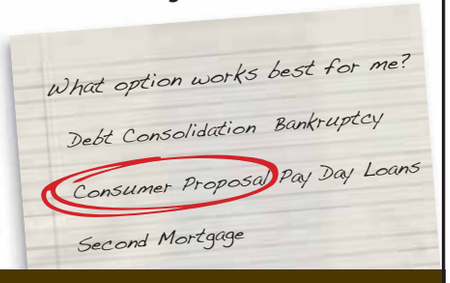

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Trade tensions. Rivalry with China plays into U.S. election

Eager to expand in the United States, China's biggest technology companies face an America anxious about threats to jobs and national security.

The latest blow: A U.S. report that says telecom equipment makers Huawei Technologies Inc. and ZTE Corp. are potential security threats that Americans should avoid doing business with.

The report, coming amid an American presidential race in which trade tensions with Beijing are a prominent issue, highlights conflicting U.S. sentiments toward China, an important trading partner but a potential strategic rival. U.S. companies see China as both a crucial growth market and a source of competition and industrial spying.

"A lot of people in America are worried about a diminishing role in the world and China being the prime beneficiary and potentially one day moving into that top slot," said Charles Maynard, senior managing director of Business Development Asia, which advises companies on acquisitions. Legislators are "playing to a lot of voters at home who are very concerned about that issue," he said.

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IMF forecasts weaker growth for world economy

Japanese Minister for Reconstruction Tasuo Hirano speaks during the opening of the Sendai Dialogue, a special event on managing disaster risk that is being held in Sendai, Japan, ahead of the annual meetings of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank Group. KOJI SASAHARA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sluggishness spreads.

Quarterly update sees malaise expanding to more dynamic emerging economies

Plagued by uncertainty and fresh setbacks, the world economy has weakened further and will grow more slowly over the next year, the International Monetary Fund says in its latest forecast.

Advanced economies are risking recession while the economic malaise is spreading to more dynamic emerging economies such as China, the international lending organization says in a quarterly update of its World Economic Outlook.

The IMF forecasts that the world economy will expand 3.3 per cent this year, down from its estimate of 3.5 per cent growth issued in July. Its forecast for growth in 2013 is 3.6 per cent, down from 3.9 per cent three months ago and 4.1 per cent in April.

For the U.S., the IMF raised its growth forecast slightly, to 2.2 per cent this year from two per cent in July. For 2013, it expects U.S. growth of 2.1 per cent, down from 2.3 per cent.

The IMF said growth in Canada has been constrained by the sluggish U.S. economy.

"Domestic demand — both business investment and private consumption — has been supported by exceptionally favourable financing conditions, including low interest rates and credit availability. These factors, along with the commodity boom, have also boosted the housing sector, especially in provinces with strong mining activity." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Canadian outlook

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Bio-Fen® Plus for Men will also help to:

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- ***Reduce elevated blood lipid levels / hyperlipidemia.***

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- ***Prevent iron deficiency.***
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IT'S A GOURD THING THERE'S PUMPKIN PIE

JUST SAYIN'
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Who says we're not making progress?

My first journalistic assignment, back in 1812, was to head out to the pumpkin patch and interview some farmer who was trying to grow the world's largest pumpkin.

It was some pumpkin, all right. About 900 pounds. That's a lot of pie.

He was getting ready to haul it to the World's Largest Pumpkin Olympics, or something like that. Sadly, he was defeated by his arch rival who managed to coax an extra few pounds out of his giant gourd.

Since then, the record has been eclipsed annually, and this year, the world-record pumpkin passed the magic one-ton barrier (imperial measurement, please; these guys are traditionalists), as the pride and joy of Rhode Island farmer Ron Wallace weighed in at 2,009 pounds.

That's more than twice as much pie.

While pumpkin pundits debate the upper limit and wonder if there is one, it's time to stand back and ask the obvious question: Who cares?

Well, this is not a question you ask around the HQ of the World Pumpkin Confederation or the Yugoslav Gourd Lovers Society, and certainly not at the 1100 Club, populated exclusively by guys who have broken the 1,100-pound barrier.

Frankly, only its grower could love a giant pumpkin. After all, it just sits there, spilling over the scale like Jabba the Hut. It bears no resemblance to those satisfying symmetrical squashes that you cluster across your doorstep. Those are grown by interior designers with bow ties. Hipster pumpkins.

No, growing a one-ton pumpkin is horticultural brute force. You can literally watch them getting larger: 40-50 pounds a day during peak growing season. It takes up to 160 days to grow one of these babies, so you have to start them indoors. And in the fall, when the threat of early frost increases, you'll spend your nights in the patch with your great pumpkin, trying to prevent a pumpkin freezie. Like Linus, from Peanuts.

Everything has to be just so: soil, fertilizer, water, disease and pest control, not to mention the correct amount of shade and sunlight.

Of course, Ron Wallace, who also grew the world's biggest in 2006 (a 1,502-pounder), keeps his technique top-secret, which leads you to wonder if Ron's growing his pumpkins around a giant lead weight.

There's more at stake here than mere bragging rights around the Hot Stove League. Wallace has wrested the world title away from Canadians Jim and Kelsey Bryson from Ormstown, Que., who grew an 1,818.5-pounder in 2011.

For one brief shining moment, Canada and giant pumpkins were synonymous.

And, if we adjust the pH balance and the calcium content, 2013 pounds in 2013 is in our grasp! Be like Linus and believe. And keep your fork, because whatever else happens, there will be pie.

Ron Wallace, of Rhode Island, celebrates after tipping the scales with his 2,009-pound record-breaking pumpkin during the New England Giant Pumpkin Weigh-Off at the Topsfield Fair in Topsfield, Mass., Friday, Sept. 28.
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Lunch — 100 million years ago

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A stone's throw away

Ancient spider attack fossil found

Scientists have discovered an amazing prehistoric fossil of a spider about to devour a wasp caught in its web.

The preserved event took place in the Hukawng Valley of Myanmar in the Early Cretaceous period between 97-110 million years ago, a time when almost certainly dinosaurs were roaming nearby, scientists say.

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Expert's viewpoint

"This was the wasp's worst nightmare. The wasp was watching the spider just as it was about to be attacked, when tree resin flowed over and captured both of them."

George Poinar, Jr.
Oregon State University entomologist

Amber fossilizes

How tree resin captures the past

The tree resin that forms amber is renowned for its ability to flow over flora and fauna, preserving them in near perfection before it later transforms into a semi-precious stone.

At least 15 unbroken strands of spider silk run through the amber piece, and on some of these the wasp was trapped. This is the first fossil ever discovered of a spider attack, scientists note.

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Long, long ago

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million years ago is the approximate time when this spider-wasp encounter occurred. Spiders are ancient invertebrates that researchers believe date back some 200 million years, but the oldest fossil evidence ever found of a spider web is only about 130 million years old. A report about the discovery by Poinar and his team appears in the October edition of journal Historical Biology.

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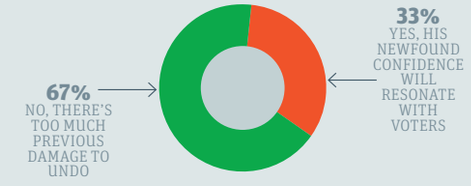

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Who made the best bond?

"I think it's got to be Connery ... because as soon as I was of that age, he was really starting as well. And I just identify Connery with that role. It's always been a great piece of escapism."

Bryan Cranston, star of Breaking Bad.

"I think Casino Royale was really excellent, and I think Daniel is a brilliant Bond, wonderful. A Bond for now, in our world. He's wonderful."

Ralph Fiennes, star of the new Bond flick Skyfall.

More online and tomorrow

- Visit metronews.ca for more James Bond coverage, including a look at the newest film, Skyfall.
- Tomorrow, Metro looks at Bond's style and more celebrities reveal their favourite actor who played 007.

The top 12 Bond girls

There's 56 Bond girls out there (give or take), and we've ranked the sexiest. Not every film made the cut (sorry, ladies from Moonraker) and we excluded those women too cool to be called a "girl" (Michelle Yeoh) or too dumb to be found sexy (Denise Richards, a.k.a. "doctor of nuclear physics" Christmas Jones). Sexist? Hey, so are the films.

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1. Honey Ryder

Ursula Andress, Dr. No

The Swiss miss set the standard for all future Bond girls: she wore a bikini and carried a knife.

2. Pussy Galore

Honor Blackman, Goldfinger

We concur with Bond, who says, when told her name, "I must be dreaming."

3. Xenia Onatopp

Famke Janssen, GoldenEye

She crushes an old man during sex. She hijacks a helicopter. She puts the fatal in femme fatale.

4. MayDay

Grace Jones, A View to a Kill

Bond was an equal opportunity ladies man, and wasn't scared off by the statuesque Jones.

5. Mary Goodnight

Britt Ekland, The Man with the Golden Gun

The Swedish bombshell became famous for being with two men: Bond, and her husband, Peter Sellers.

6. Helga Brandt

Karin Dor, You Only Live Twice

She ties Bond down to a chair, and threatens him with some makeshift plastic surgery, holding a knife. Then she kisses him. Deeply. Many times.

7. Solitaire

Jane Seymour, Live and Let Die

The first psychic Bond girl? Surely that's worth something.

8. Jinx

Halle Berry, Die Another Day

An Oscar-winning Bond girl: Was that a first? Nope. See number 12.

9. Vesper Lynd

Eva Green, Casino Royale

A modern-day love interest for modern times. Her back-and-forth with Bond on a train has more sparks than any bedroom scene.

10. Magda

Kristina Wayborn, Octopussy

She has an octopus tattoo in a film called Octopussy. How could we not include her?

11. Anya Amasova

Barbara Bach, The Spy Who Loved Me

A.k.a. Ringo Starr's wife, this New Yorker called Bond a "chauvinist pig who uses girls to shield him against bullets." And that wasn't a movie quote; that's her in real life.

12. Domino Petachi

Kim Basinger. Never Say Never Again

She's not the only Bond girl to have an Oscar but she is the blondest.

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Escape thrillers more than escapism

New movie. Ben Affleck's Argo joins a long list of movies that make the big break-out sequence their main thrust

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Ben Affleck stars as Tony Mendez in the escape flick Argo. HANDOUT

It's no spoiler to tell you the action in Argo, the new thriller starring and directed by Ben Affleck, centres around a daring escape. Based on the real life covert operation to free six American diplomats after the seizure of their embassy in Tehran, the movie showcases the cooperation between Canadian diplomat Ken Taylor and the CIA that led to the film's exciting climax.

Even if you already know how the movie ends — and in this case it's a matter of public record — nothing will keep you on the edge of your seat quite like a daring escape.

The big screen version of The Fugitive, starring Harrison Ford as Richard Kimble, a wrongly accused man on the lam from the law, is essentially one big escape sequence. The most famous is the crash between Kimble's prison transport van and a freight train. To film the scene where the wanted man makes his way out of the twisted wreck they actually crashed a van into a train, although the image of Ford jumping from the ruin was added later.

Not surprisingly, some of the best escape movies tip their hand by including the word escape in the title.

The Great Escape sees Steve McQueen lead a cast of Second World War allied POWs who arrange a mass escape from a German camp. Motorcycle enthusiast McQueen refused to sign on to do the movie until a cycle chase was included in the script. The director agreed, and when the scene was shot even allowed McQueen to ride along as a German soldier. In the final, edited sequence McQueen, in disguise, is seen chasing after himself.

Based on a true story, Escape from Alcatraz starred Clint Eastwood as one-third of a team who staged the only successful escape from the island prison. Many of the dangerous looking stunts in the film were as risky as they looked. Director Don Siegel insisted the actors do their own stunts, but twice feared his stars had been lost to the strong currents of San Francisco Bay.

Finally, in Escape from New York, the city is transformed into a giant maximum-security prison. The twist is one of the prisoners is hired, after the President's plane crashes, to get the Commander-In-Chief out safely. In this one The Great Escape alum Donald Pleasence plays the president, although it's never explained why the U.S. leader has an English accent.

Quote

"Even if you already know how the movie ends — and in this case it's a matter of public record — nothing will keep you on the edge of your seat quite like a daring escape."

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Learning to be a straight shooter

New TV series.
Stephen Amell brings a modern update to the DC Comics avenger character the Green Arrow

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After a tragic shipwreck, billionaire Oliver Queen (Stephen Amell) was considered dead. He washed up on a remote island and spent five years honing his survival skills — including his prowess with a bow and arrow — before being rescued.

Back home in Starling City, he quickly realizes the mistakes of his past — and the wrongs of his family. Feigning his former playboy persona by day, he secretly takes on the persona of the vigilante Arrow at night to make amends and bring justice to his hometown.

To nail the physicality of playing the modern update on DC Comics avenger Green Arrow (which premieres tonight at 8 p.m. ET/PT on CTV Two) Amell's training included parkour.

"That was when the training became intensive, because it was all of these muscles that I didn't even know existed, let alone had used before," Amell says.

"My coach, Paul Darnell, was actually the double for Henry Cavill in Superman, and he just had me doing things that I had never even considered immediately. To get (the intense action scenes) into the pilot right away was really cool."

It wasn't all rugged training for the character either. Oliver is a pretty complicated character.

"When I looked at the pilot, I saw four different roles," Amell says. "Normally they break down sort of day-by-day when we're shooting the episodes — I will have a day where it's fake Oliver in the real world right now, and then there will be an island day (flashback), and there's an Arrow day, and (reconnecting with ex-girlfriend) Laurel days. And it's a really fun exercise. It keeps me on my toes."

It was an experience that took a lot of learning on a number of levels.

Prior to taking the role of Arrow, Amell had never picked up a bow and arrow.

"I have a wonderful coach, Patricia Gonsalves, and she started my training by showing me a 45-minute video of all the ways that archery has been done badly on television and in film," Amell says.

"The first thing was getting the form. And I really like archery. I mean, I enjoy practicing it when I have time off. It's an interesting sport."

Quote

"Oliver is coming back from this island, and he clearly has post-traumatic stress disorder. All the talk of super villains and potential nemeses for the Arrow, I think that the most the most imminent danger to Oliver right now is himself."

Stephen Amell
Talking about his character Oliver Queen

Stephen Amell stars as Oliver Queen in the new CTV series Arrow.
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Adding a little extra to the ordinary

The theme of The Canadian Stage Company's fall theatre season is fusion. This year many CanStage productions blend multiple genres together.

Take the play Tear the Curtain! set in a gloomy 1930s Vancouver, which is currently on stage. Tear the Curtain! which tells the story of a theatre critic who falls for a movie star, mixes elements from film noir with a Romeo and Juliet like plot. Furthering its hybrid nature the play blends both stage performances with film to create an entirely engrossing theatre-going experience.

CanStage will also be premiering the performance of Israeli choreographer Hofesh Schechte's most recent piece: Political Mother.

Political Mother sets Shechet's spectacular choreography to rock music, creating a concert slash dance hybrid.

Torontonian's are lucky to get to see this piece, which has wooed audiences in both Europe and Asia.

Both Tear the Curtain! and Political Mother are onstage at CanStage's Bluma Appel Theatre on Front Street East, in downtown Toronto. Tear the Curtain! runs until Oct. 20.

Political Mother runs from Oct. 24 to Oct. 28.

For audiences looking for something a little bit out of the ordinary, Torontonians should find them both extraordinary.

Jonathon Young and Dawn Petten star in Tear the Curtain!
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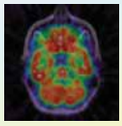

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Led Zeppelin refuse to answer reunion questions

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Don't ask Led Zeppelin if they're getting the band back together.

Numerous reporters tried yesterday at a press conference promoting the release of their concert film, Celebration Day, but the British rock gods dodged and weaved. "We've been thinking about all sorts of things. But we can't remember what we were thinking about," quipped lead singer Robert Plant. John Paul Jones, Jimmy Page and John Bonham's son, Jason Bonham, who played drums on the band's one-off 2007 tribute concert for friend and Atlantic Records founder Ahmet Ertegun, were equally mute on the subject (actually, Bonham never commented one way or another on the topic; he just seemed stoked to be there).

"At this time five years ago we were rehearsing to get to the O2. If you think about the time it gets something like that to get together, it seems unlikely," said Page. He continued: "We were so happy we were getting it right and taking it beyond what we thought we were about that night. To do that four nights a week is a different thing entirely."

But they never said never.

So there is still hope for all you Zepp fans out there. And if you do either catch them live or see the film, keep an eye open for the band's facial expressions. "We used to call ourselves 'The Band of Nods' because if you missed a cue you would nod — that had nothing to do with opiates," said Plant. "And now, we've turned into 'The Band of Middle Aged Grins.'"

Ben Affleck

Ben Affleck not the hit-and-run type

Ben Affleck isn't just a talented actor and director, he's also a responsible citizen. While running errands in Santa Monica recently, the Argo star sideswiped a parked car, knocking off its side mirror, according to Hollyscoop. But unlike some Hollywood starlets we could name, Affleck did the right thing by stopping and leaving a note on the car's windshield. The note read, "Hi, knocked off your mirror! Very sorry! Will cover everything — Ben," followed by his contact information.

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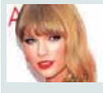

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Drink wine in upstate N.Y.

The Finger Lakes region is a lesser-known haven for grape lovers

NOLAN GAWRON
Metro World News

In the Finger Lakes region of upstate New York, there's a growing excitement — literally. Grapes! Wine grapes, to be more specific. The sloping hillsides, lake breezes and a steady summer sun have always provided the picturesque Finger Lakes region with a healthy grape-growing climate. But until recently, the land was primarily used to grow local Concord grapes that were sold to juice companies.

In recent years, younger generations have taken over the family farms and begun experimenting with wine grape varietals. While the yield can be more profitable, the arduous and artistic process is all the more intensive and comes with a higher risk factor. But with continued growth and a respected product that has gained praise and earned prizes all over the world, the shift seems to be working. Now with 109 wineries, the Finger Lakes have helped make New York the third largest wine producer in America.

Even though the area is known for its Cabernet francs, chardonnays, pinot noirs and ice wines, it's riesling that reigns supreme. With a climate similar to its German origins, the varietal has found a second home here. Ranging from dry to sweet, each vineyard in the area produces at least one style of Riesling — some make several — and many have won worldwide Gold Medal honours.

Soak up the wine and the scenery in the Finger Lakes region. ALLEN MCGREGOR/FLICKR

Camaraderie over competition

With a wine trail marked by road signs, vineyard tours and tasting rooms, tourism in the Finger Lakes is increasing. And with several wineries adding inns and high-end restaurants to their properties, many are calling the Finger Lakes the next Napa Valley. Vineyard owners in the area, however, are quick to point out a monumental difference — a unified sense of community. Here it's camaraderie, not competition, since in this region the vineyard owner is often the farmer, the marketer, the salesman and sometimes even the deliveryman. "If someone needs a forklift, we let them borrow ours," says Ted Marks, proprietor of Atwater Vineyards. "And they would do the same for us. People come from all over the world to work here and can't believe that we want to help each other succeed. We do what we do well. And we do it without pretension."

Is Finger Lakes the next Napa Valley? VISIT-FINGERLAKES/FLICKR

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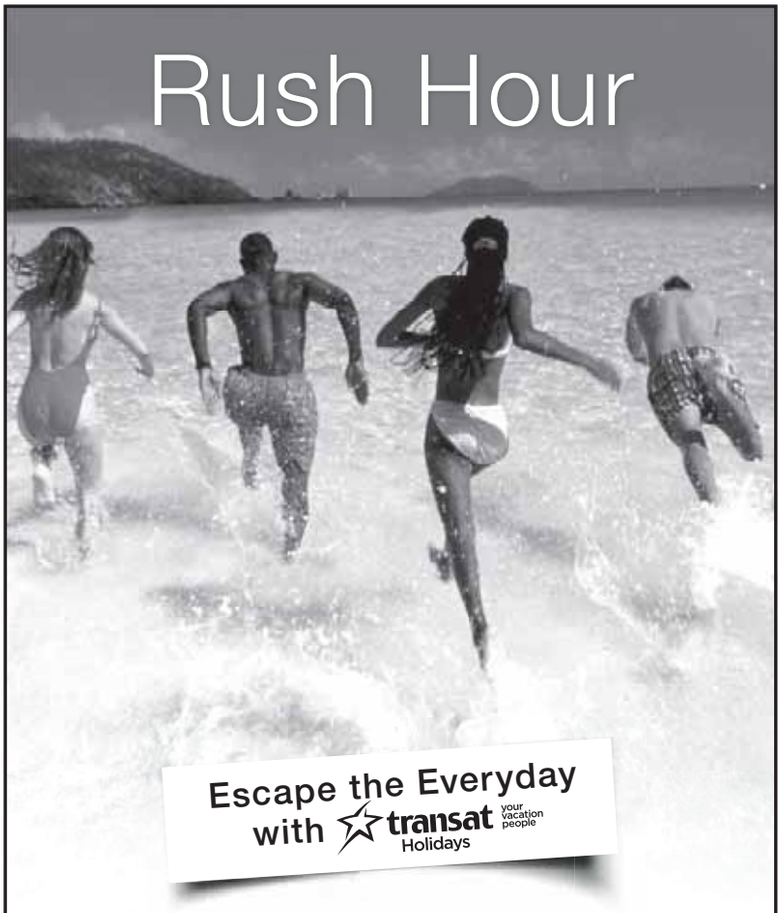

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The area near Lancaster, Penn. has a charming draw on visitors. JIMMY MAY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Take a step back in time — to when things didn't cost so much

Free in Amish country. Is there a better place to do some cheap exploring than Pennsylvania's Dutch area during harvest time?

Learn about a way of life far removed from the city. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The harvest season is nearing its glorious end, and the culture, architecture and history of Pennsylvania's Amish country can be seen for free in Lancaster County, where many Amish settled starting in the early 1700s.

The region's central city is Lancaster, which features a wonderful central market, galleries and antique stores, is 176 kilometres north of Washington and about 112 kilometres west of Philadelphia. The surrounding countryside features quaint and quirky towns such as Bird-in-Hand, Ephrata, Intercourse and Strasburg. The region is well aware of its draw, having established large, modern outlet malls as well as shops selling Amish goods, not to mention an amusement park — Dutch Wonderland — that draws children and their parents from all around, but the region has many free attractions too.

The Quilt Museum

Located about 16 kilometres east of Lancaster, this small museum features antique and modern quilts, information about quilt making, and a gift shop with folk objects and art. The current exhibit is A Showcase of Quilts: Dazzling Contemporary Creations.

Mascot Mill and Ressler Family Home

This water-powered grain mill and 1855 home are in the heart of an Amish community. The stone building and antique machinery still grinds corn for local Amish farmers. You can picnic along the creek, and the foundation that runs the mill also publishes a series of local history pamphlets. The original mill was built in the 1730s. Located about 12.8 kilometres northeast of Lancaster.

Covered bridge driving tour

There are 25 covered bridges in the area, and one of several tours starts in the town of Ephrata, which is also home to the Ephrata Cloister, an early communal society. Another tour goes through the town of Christina, which played a major role in the history of the Underground Railroad. You can visit the Pool Forge Covered Bridge, where President James Buchanan supposedly met his fiancee, and Bitzer's Mill Bridge, built in 1846 at a reported cost of $1115. Along the way you'll see one-room schoolhouses, sweet shops, and plenty of beautiful countryside.

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For more Mennonite info

- **Mennonite Information Centre.** This small museum features a short film about the faith and life of the Mennonites and Amish, an exhibit, and a bookstore. Also features a list of Mennonite Bed & Breakfasts in the area, and working farms that accept visitors. They also offer guided tours. Located in Lancaster. Details: mennoniteinfoctr.com

Who needs Hollywood when you've got San Francisco?

Golden gateway to film history. City is a favourite for directors and producers, and is a must-visit destination for the movie buff

The spot where Jimmy Stewart saved Kim Novak in Vertigo is at Fort Point, just under the base of the Golden Gate Bridge.

A few kilometres down the bay is Alcatraz, where Nicolas Cage and Sean Connery prevented missiles from launching and Clint Eastwood may or may not have escaped. Up on shore, there's Coit Tower, City Hall, the Transamerica Pyramid, all those hills that have been the setting for so many chase scenes. Filled with iconic landmarks, breathtaking scenery and a wide range of locations, San Francisco has a long history as a favourite site for filmmakers — and the movie buffs who want to see the places where their favourite scenes were filmed.

"So many people are so familiar with the icons, with the landmarks of San Francisco," said Bryan Rice, owner of San Francisco Movie Tours. "You can show the Golden Gate Bridge, you can show the Transamerica Pyramid in the background, show these different places people are familiar with and it draws people in."

The Bay Area's movie-making history goes back to the beginning of film, to Eadweard Muybridge's study of a horse galloping in Palo Alto, widely regarded as the first motion picture ever made.

Charlie Chaplin's movies and many of the first silent films were shot near San Francisco, along with parts of The Jazz Singer, the first "talkie" released in 1927.

Alfred Hitchcock loved shooting in the Bay Area, as did George Lucas and Clint Eastwood. San Francisco's long history of film offers plenty of iconic spots to visit. Here are just a few.

Alcatraz

In Birdman of Alcatraz, Escape from Alcatraz, Murder in the First, The Rock, The Enforcer. A federal penitentiary from 1934 to 63, The Rock housed notorious criminals including Al Capone, George "Machine Gun" Kelly and James "Whitey" Bulger. Now a national park, Alcatraz offers a chance to tour the prison, including a look at one of the cells portrayed in Eastwood's Escape from Alcatraz, with the concrete chipped away behind the vent. Round-trip ferry to Alcatraz, $28-$32 including audio tour, every half-hour starting around 9 a.m.: alcatrazcruises.com

Fort Point, Golden Gate Bridge

In Foul Play, Dopamine, High Anxiety, Petulia, Point Blank, Vertigo, The Presidio.

Built to protect the San Francisco Bay from Confederate and foreign attack during the Civil War, Fort Point is where Stewart saved Novak in Vertigo, right at the base. The bridge has also been blown up countless times on film, including in X-Men 3 and Monsters vs. Aliens. Best view is from the north side back toward the city.

Coit Tower

In Boys & Girls, After the Thin Man, Dr. Dolittle, Sister Act 2, The Enforcer, The Presidio, The Rock, Innerspace.

The narrow, white concrete column atop Telegraph Hill has been a part of San Francisco's skyline since 1933 and offers spectacular views of the bay and the city. Coit Tower has been in the backdrop of numerous movies filmed in San Francisco and was called "vaguely phallic" by Tyne Daly's character in The Enforcer. It's been a place to watch movies, too, with projectors set up to show films on the side of tower.

Observation deck, $7 for non-residents, $5 seniors and youth (12-17), $2 kids (5-11).

Where to eat

One of the city's oldest restaurants, John's Grill, 63 Ellis St., was a setting in author Dashiell Hammett's "The Maltese Falcon." The interior looks just as you would picture it from the book, filled with original period furnishings. The walls are covered with photos of famous customers and the second floor has a replica of the Maltese Falcon, along with movie stills and foreign translations of the novel. A great place to get steaks or a few cocktails while taking in the atmosphere.

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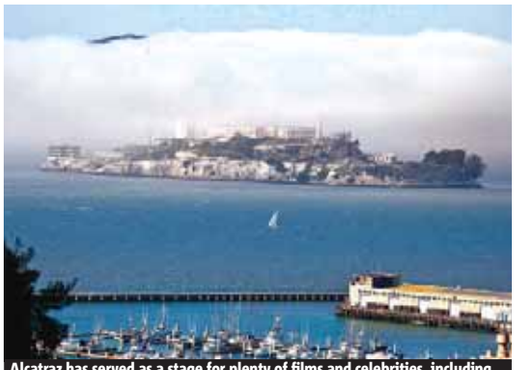

Alcatraz has served as a stage for plenty of films and celebrities, including Clint Eastwood. ERIC RISBERG/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

John's Grill was a setting in The Maltese Falcon. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Cappadocia: Back to BC

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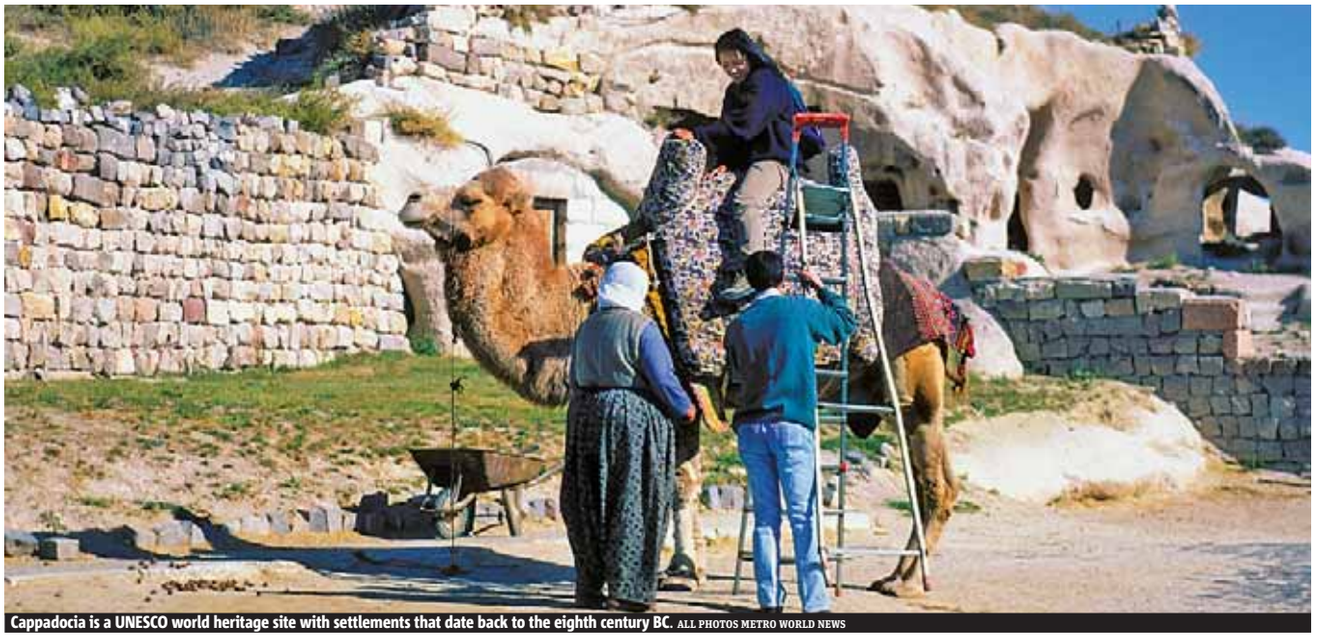

Cappadocia is a UNESCO world heritage site with settlements that date back to the eighth century BC. ALL PHOTOS METRO WORLD NEWS

There's nowhere else in the world quite like this region in eastern Anatolia, Turkey. Made up of several small villages, Cappadocia (pronounced Kap-a-dokia) is a UNESCO world heritage site. With settlements that date back to the eighth century BC, thousands of years of rich history provide visitors with plenty to see and do, in addition to luxury accommodations and shopping.

Hot air ballooning is a popular activity for visitors to the region. At sunrise, the area is peppered with ascending balloons that overlook the various rock formations.

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See

Natural wonders are the number one attraction in Cappadocia, with unique rock formations of the fairy chimneys (tall, thin spires of sedimentary, or volcanic rock) covering much of the land. While the area has been home to the Hittites, Phrygians, Persians, Romans, Byzantines, Seljuks and Ottomans, it was the early Christians who perhaps left the most fascinating mark in Cappadocia's many caves. There are some 3,000 rock churches in the area, from a time when the early Christians hid in the region to escape persecution. The Goreme Open Air Museum allows visitors to tour the preserved living spaces and chapels, which feature stunningly intricate frescoes of prominent early figures in the church.

Those who aren't claustrophobic should visit the many underground cities in the area. The network of tunnels in the Kaymakli Underground City in Nevsehir extend at least four floors underneath the surface. Archaeologists estimate that the cities were created between the eighth and seventh centuries BC to hide from enemies.

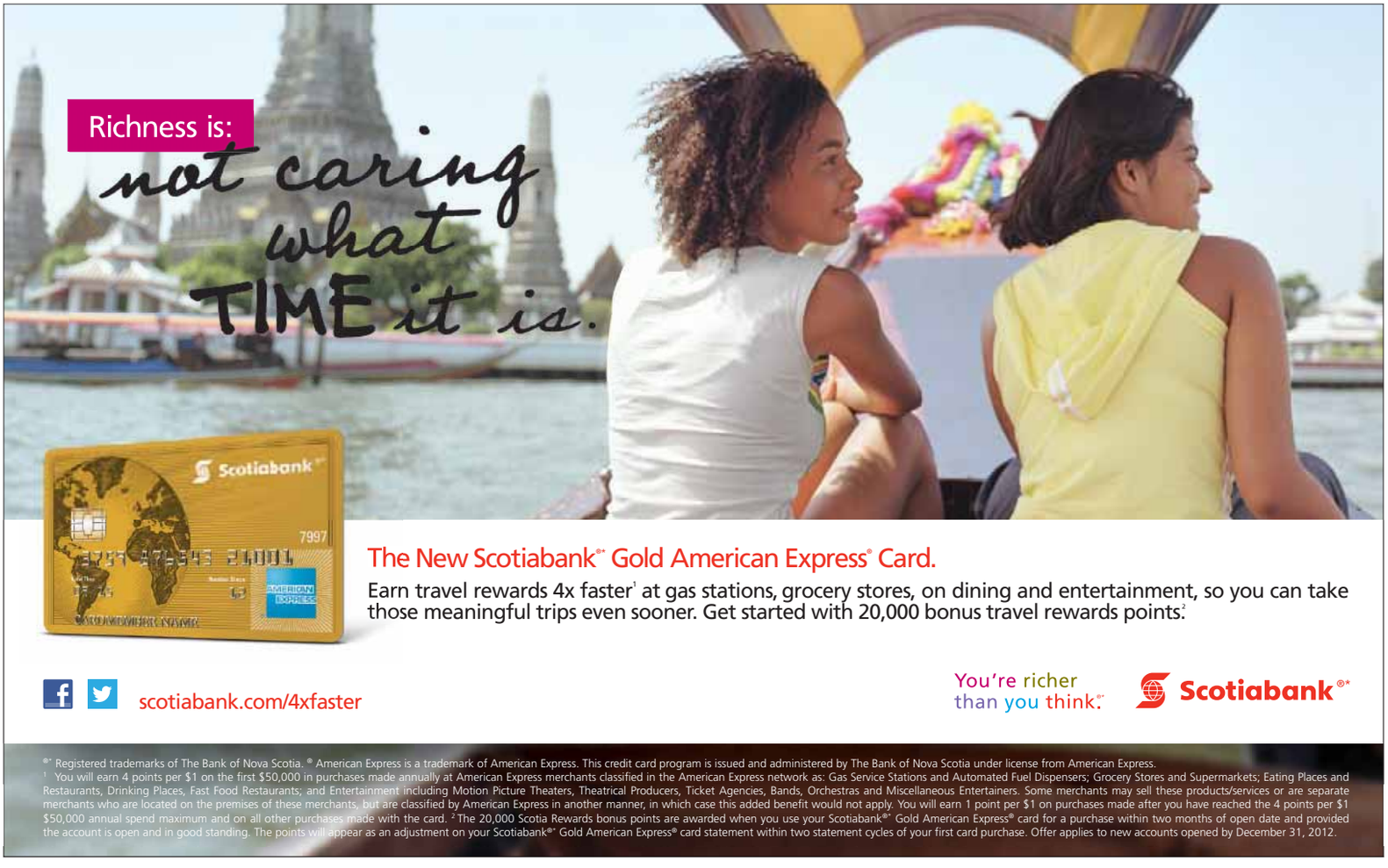
Shop

Ceramics are a specialty of Cappadocia. Omurlu Ceramic in Avanos hosts tourists for a look at how the traditional Hittite designs are hand-painted onto cookware, vases and decanters.

Turkish rugs are one of the prime exports of both this region and the country as a whole. Showrooms will host tourists for a look at how the carpets are made. Expect your host to apply a bit of pressure to purchase some wares, but never accept the first price. Haggling is a necessary part of the transaction.

Stay

Out of the many lovely accommodations available in the area, the Museum Hotel has the distinction of doubling as a tourist attraction in its own right. Renovated from ancient ruins in 1998, the hotel makes use of the cave dwellings that populate so much of the landscape in the region. Each room blends the rustic nature of the raw stone walls (originally inhabited by nomads called the Tekeli clan) with luxurious antique furniture and artifacts from the Museum of Nevsehir. museum-hotel.com



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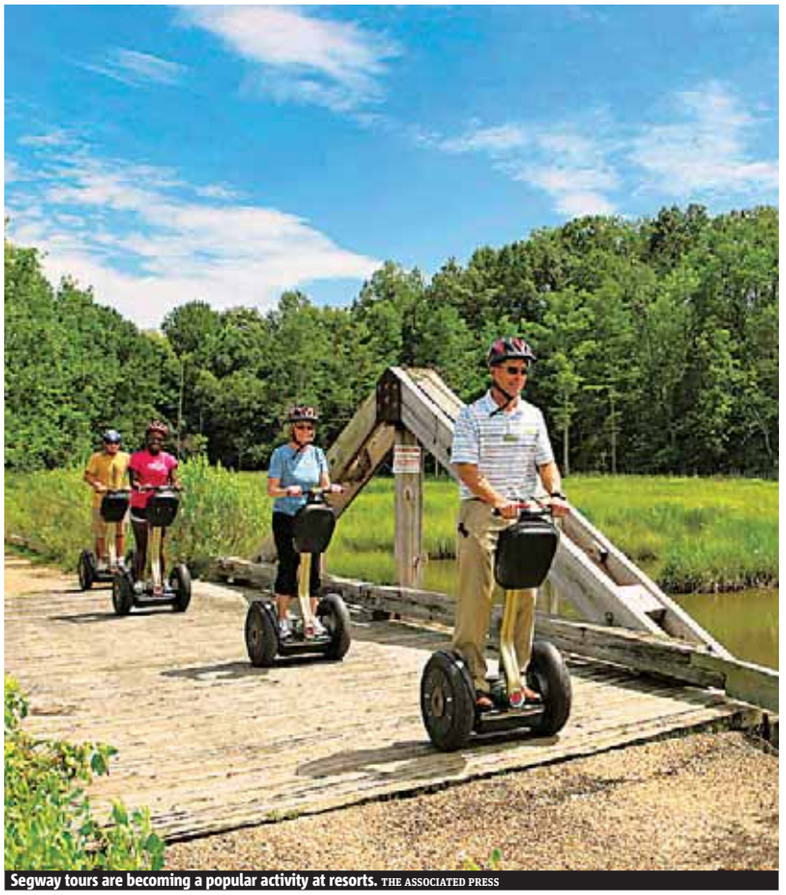

Segway tours are becoming a popular activity at resorts. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The perfect getaway: Golf, spa treatments ... and Segway tours?

Travel trend. The often-mocked vehicle of choice for mall cops has found an unlikely surge in popularity at vacation spots

Some couples celebrate their anniversary with a horse-drawn carriage ride. Others rent a romantic cabin in the woods. A few even jet off to Las Vegas and renew their vows in front of Elvis.

Lori Kelly and her husband Gene recently marked their second anniversary by touring the woods of the Omni Bedford Springs Resort & Spa in Bedford, Penn. on a Segway.

"It was absolutely fantastic. It is really the ultimately unique experience especially for people my age," said Kelly, 59. Her husband is 64. "It gives you the flavour of adventure with very little threat of injury."

The Segway, first introduced a decade ago as an alternative mode of personal transportation, is getting a new life at a growing number of resorts around the world. For those not familiar with the two-wheeled electric vehicle, it works like this: Lean forward to move forward. Lean backward to go in reverse. Move the handlebars, and it turns left or right.

The device never quite took off as an everyday way to get around, but it has found a niche replacing city walking tours and helping security guards patrol local shopping malls. And now hotels with sprawling grounds are finding the Segway to be a great way to show guests around their properties. Plus, the devices are still quirky enough to be an attraction in their own right.

"You don't need any special skills to navigate around on it," said Kelly, the executive director of the American Red Cross in West Virginia.

She and her husband travelled in mid-September from their home in Shepherdstown, W.Va. to Pennsylvania resort for a two-night getaway. They shopped, sat by the hotel's fire pits, played horseshoes and had a romantic anniversary dinner.

But what really made the trip unique was the 90-minute, off-road Segway tour for $90.

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Eat healthy and delight your tastebuds — yes, it's possible

Eating a balanced diet is one of the most important factors in achieving a healthy lifestyle. Fortunately, being health-conscious doesn't mean you have to give up the dishes you love.

Canadian chef Stefano Faita is a firm believer in healthy eating, and often relies on his Italian roots for recipe inspiration.

"There is a ton of healthy whole grain pasta options out in the market," he says.

Here he pairs whole grain spaghetti with spicy lamb sauce.

Ingredients

- 50 ml (1/4 cup) extra virgin olive oil
- 2 cloves garlic, chopped
- 1 sprig rosemary, finely chopped
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) red pepper flakes (or to taste)
- 300 g (10 oz) ground lamb
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) white wine
- 1 can (540 ml/ 19 oz) diced tomatoes
- Salt, to taste
- 1 box (375 g) Barilla whole grain spaghetti
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) butter
- 175 ml (3/4 cup) grated Pecorino Romano cheese

1. In a large skillet over medium heat, heat olive oil. Add the garlic, rosemary and red pepper flakes, sautéing until garlic turns slightly yellow. Add ground lamb; cook until well browned.

2. Stir in wine and cook for about 1 minute. Add tomatoes with juice and 3/4 cup (175 ml) water; season with salt. Simmer until liquid has evaporated and sauce is thickened. Cover and keep hot.

3. Meanwhile, cook spaghetti according to package directions. Drain and toss with sauce.

4. Stir in butter and cheese before serving.

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Whole Grain Spaghetti with Spicy Lamb Sauce

This recipe serves four. NEWS CANADA

Drink of the Week

Memories of summer

As we're well into fall, many of us are missing warmer weather. This Paloma is a classic combination of tequila and grapefruit, reminiscent of summer.

- 2 fresh strawberries
- 45 ml (3 tbsp) tequila
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) fresh lime juice
- 60 ml (4 tbsp) fresh pink grapefruit juice
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) agave nectar
- Ice
- Splash soda water
- Pink grapefruit slice and strawberry half, for garnish

Muddle strawberries. Add tequila, lime, grapefruit juices and agave nectar, and shake well with ice. Strain over ice in a tall glass.

Top with soda water.

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PET LOGIC

NINE IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS TO PONDER BEFORE YOU DECIDE TO ADOPT A PET

"When you get a pet, it's like you are inviting a new member into your family," says Michael Sullivan, executive director, Humane Society of Canada. Here are nine important considerations before your family makes the commitment.

1 COST. According to Sullivan, a cat or dog costs on average $1,500 per year (for the initial spay or neuter, vaccinations, food and other health costs). Exotic pets may be inexpensive but their ongoing needs will add up, too.

2 LIFE SPAN. Be aware that a cat can live up to 20 years, explains Dr. Jean Gauvin, a small animal practitioner in Lachine, Que., and vice-president of the Canadian Veterinary Medical Association, while a small dog can live about 12 years, a parrot more than 30, a rabbit 12, and a hamster may live four years.

3 SCHEDULE. Dogs, especially puppies, require a lot of your time for training and daily walks. Cats are easier because they don't need training outside of litter training. Most exotic pets (gerbils, reptiles, fish, and birds) will need daily care.

4 LIFESTYLE. If you are active, an active dog breed makes sense. But what will you do if you are someone who travels a lot? Gauvin says for shorter jaunts, a cat and exotic animal may be easier to leave or have looked after.

5 FUR. If someone in the family is allergic, consider a poodle or other non-shedding dog, says Gauvin. Or consider a lizard or snake.

6 SPACE. A small dog or cat might be best suited for a condominium or apartment while a Great Dane might better suit a home in the country. Exotic pet cages and aquariums will need a dedicated place in your home, too.

GETTING YOUR PET

If you don't purchase a full bred animal from a reputable breeder, adopt an animal from a shelter, rescue group, humane society or local pound.

7 FOOD. Sixty per cent of what you spend on a dog will be for food. Consider that a rabbit needs fresh vegetables while a cat is happy with canned food. Some exotic pets need special food — snakes eat mice while lizards love crickets.

8 EXPERIENCE. If this is your first pet, do your research, says Sullivan. Some dog breeds are easier to manage than others. For example, border collies need to be kept busy while a Shih Tzu doesn't. Cats are more self sufficient, says Sullivan. Most birds need time out of their cages.

9 AGE. If you get a puppy or kitten, you will have more work to do in the first year. A young adult dog or cat is less work — and you are saving an animal life.

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EXOTIC PETS REQUIRE EXTRA CARE

Whether it's tropical fish, parakeets, parrots, chinchillas, ferrets, turtles, snakes or lizards, exotic pets go in and out of fashion ... and that's definitely not the reason to get one.

Consider that:

• These animals have been removed from the wild and most do not do well as pets, according to the Sir James Dunn Animal Welfare Centre, University of Prince Edward Island. Iguanas, for example, are one of the most frequently purchased exotic pet, and the centre reports that it's thought that most die within the first year of ownership.

• The animal itself may not cost much, but food, cages, etc., will add up. Michael Sullivan, executive director, Humane Society of Canada, once paid $50 to rescue a rabbit. After he bought the hutch, litter box and other paraphernalia, he spent closer to $500.

• These animals are going to grow — and you need to be prepared for that. For example, a turtle will start out fitting in the palm of your hand and grow to the size of a dinner plate. When you choose an aquarium for fish, whatever size you choose, double it.

• An exotic animal needs their space. Dr. Jean Gauvin, a small animal practitioner in Lachine, Que., and vice-president of the Canadian Veterinary Medical Association, says a macaw needs a whole room. "You cannot keep a bird like that in a cage." A snake needs a large terrarium. A six-foot-long iguana needs tropical space. Some small lizards need a temperature controlled environment of 37 C.

STILL WANT AN EXOTIC PET?

Sir James Dunn Animal Welfare Centre recommends that you:

• Ask a lot of questions — and check with provincial department of fisheries and wildlife to find out if the pet is legal, what the animal's needs are, where to find a vet that has expertise to care for the animal and any dangers. Remember, many may carry parasites or infections that can be transmitted. Turtles, snakes and iguanas may carry salmonella.

• Find a reputable supplier — be sure to find out how long they have worked with the species, ensure that the animal has been bred in captivity and that the supplier has necessary permits. Never buy over the Internet because you can't assess health and environment.

• Alternatively, instead of owning an exotic pet, Kim Elmslie at the Canadian Federation of Humane Societies, suggests supporting an animal sanctuary. "If you have money and a love for exotic animals, you can put it towards an endowment to help build larger cages at the sanctuary." Alternatively, she suggests contacting the local SPCA and letting them know you want to help out or foster an animal when they have large seizures.

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Technology. Sustainability. Mobility. Those are the top three reasons now is a really exciting time for students and recent grads to start careers in the oil and gas industry, according to Cheryl Knight, executive director and CEO of Petroleum Human Resources Council of Canada.

Knight knows the industry better than most, so we asked her what she thinks the most exciting things about the petroleum sector are right now.

Technology

"I think what I find most interesting is how much of a role technology is playing in creating changes in the industry," she says. "Changes including how the work is done, how the production of oil and gas happens, and what the jobs are. We are seeing that technology and being technology proficient is really an important part of the industry."

She cites the development of Alberta's oil sands as an example: In past, operations in the oil sands were primarily mining — large shovels would dump the oil sand into trucks to be taken to be crushed and processed into oil. This method is slow and inefficient, and can only extract oil sand up to 75 metres below ground.

Today, more than 80 per cent of oil sands development uses in-situ drilling — a thermal technology known as steam assisted gravity drainage (SAGD). The high-tech SAGD process allows petroleum producers to access reserves that are much deeper in the earth and recover a higher percentage of the oil contained in the sand.

"The reason [the oil sands] is growing so big is because of the technology," Knight says.

Another example is the use of directional drilling and hydraulic fracturing.

"It enables the industry to use one very expensive, highly technologically-advanced rig and rig pad, reducing the surface impact," she says. "You have one rig that spends a lot of time drilling in a variety of directions while it stays in the same place. The rig doesn't move."

Green on the scene: The gas and oil industry is hiring more environmental experts than ever before. ISTOCK

All of this high-tech equipment requires specialized technicians, technologists and skilled tradespeople to build, operate and maintain it, creating many new jobs for people with the most up-to-date education and technical skills.

Sustainability

No, sustainability is not a four-letter word in oil and gas. In fact, says Knight, environmental sustainability has woven itself into every single job in the industry.

"I don't go anywhere or to any meeting where people in the industry aren't aware of the footprint on the land — they're concerned about things like carbon emissions and water consumption," she says. "It's part of our industry — the environment is part of oil and gas."

As interest in environmental sustainability within the petroleum sector grows, so does the demand for people who are qualified to help oil and gas companies monitor, manage and improve their impact on the environment.

"These sorts of things are really opening up a variety of career opportunities," Knight says.

Experience that expands

"A person isn't pigeonholing themselves by joining the oil and gas industry. On the contrary — the skills will transfer quite well to the natural resource sector as well as government, communications and stakeholder relations organizations."
Cheryl Knight

Mobility

While the oil and gas sector is probably going to be where it's at for the foreseeable future — there are more than 500,000 people employed directly and indirectly in the oil and gas industry now, and it is estimated that the oil sands alone will support 905,000 jobs by 2035 — starting your career in the industry doesn't mean you're stuck in it (or your first job or location) forever.

"A person isn't pigeonholing themselves by joining the oil and gas industry," Knight says. "On the contrary — the skills will transfer quite well to the natural resource sector as well as government, communications and stakeholder relations organizations."

Plus, since you will have the opportunity to work with so many different people and organizations in your oil and gas job, you'll develop a strong professional network across a wide variety of locations and sectors that could really take you places.

"It's a really great industry; it provides a real combination of field work and office work, and I think that's appealing to a lot of people," she adds. "

Many companies operate in multiple countries and they're looking for people who want to travel the world while they're working."

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The Bachelor of Commerce (Co-op) program at Memorial University of Newfoundland requires that students must complete three work terms or internships at specified times during the five-year program. Memorial offers a database of jobs available to students, but for the most part they cater to either Accounting or Human Resource students that hope to stay within the province for work. I, however, am a marketing student with dreams to leave Newfoundland and work in the marketing industry in a more urban environment.

This led me to scour the internet as well as contact many of the connections I have made in the industry both in and out of the province. From there, I applied to many companies, from large corporations to small businesses. Cover letters and resumés were seemingly ineffective, especially via the Internet with no ability to meet face-to-face.

This led me to spend an entire day filming myself on my laptop making a somewhat quirky but still informative video about my skills and passion for marketing in the hopes of standing out among thousands of applicants to a large, well known corporation. I got an interview! This was a huge accomplishment and, although I did not get the job, it was the confirmation I needed that I had at least some of what it took to survive in this industry.

After that I had a friend who had some graphic art skills create a resumé that would be delivered in a unique format to help stand out among the crowd. Sadly, no interview.

Finally I was contacted by a huge marketing agency that seemed really interested but only did unpaid internships. I almost packed up and moved halfway across the country for an unpaid position, but after the intervention of my grandmother I decided I would contact them as a new grad.

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SPORTS 4

Cap in hand: Salary structure in jeopardy?

NHL lockout. Fehr says extended lockout could cause NHLPA to reassess playing under salary cap

Donald Fehr expressed some hope that collective bargaining talks this week will help lead to some resolution.

But he also made it clear in an hour-long meeting with the Torstar News Service editorial board that the longer the NHL lockout lasts, the less happy the players will be playing under a salary cap.

"If this goes on for an extended period of time, I don't know what they (the players) are going to do. But I think it's safe to say, they would be exploring all options," said Fehr.

He added the players can live with a salary cap if an agreement can be reached quickly.

"Where the players are, they want to make a deal," Fehr said. "Even though the owners' proposal went as far away from the players as they could, the players did not respond in kind. They made a proposal which moved in the owners' direction. If there can be an agreement in a relatively short term, which puts the pieces back together and gets the season going, I think the players can live with that."

Fehr fell short of calling for the salary cap to be scrapped outright — something that would put the NHL and the players further apart. But it was a reminder to commissioner Gary Bettman and the owners — on the eve of new talks with the league on non-core economic issues — that things can get ugly in a hurry.

"I hope we can continue to make some progress on what we call the non-core economic issues and I hope we can have discussions that can spark a new round of significant talks on the core economic issues," said Fehr.

NHL deputy commissioner Bill Daly said the league has heard the association's threats related to the salary cap before.

"Ultimately, it's their call," Daly said in an email to Torstar News Service. "Hopefully, we all want a quicker resolution to this negotiation than a longer one. How the PA ultimately decides to deal with that issue will be very telling."

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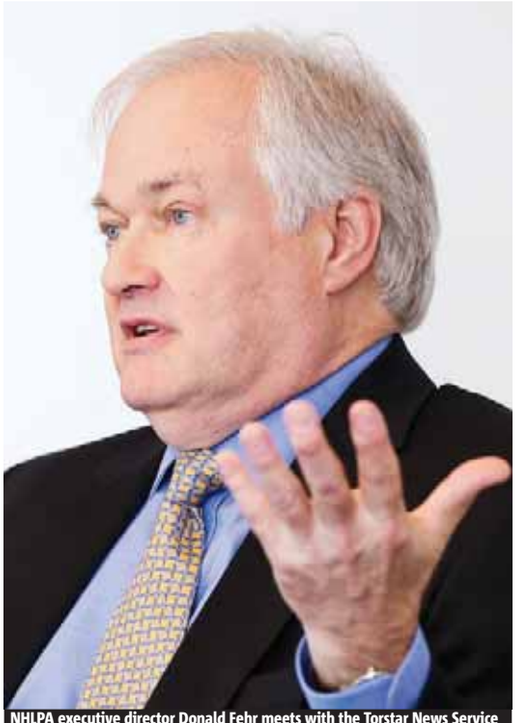

NHLPA executive director Donald Fehr meets with the Torstar News Service editorial board on Tuesday. ANDREW FRANCIS WALLACE/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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"In basketball (the NBA locked out its players last season) they played 75, 80 per cent of the season starting as late as Christmas. I do hope we start many weeks before Christmas."

NHLPA executive director Donald Fehr on Tuesday. Fehr declined to predict when the NHL season might begin.

Dates to watch

Oct. 19
Potential date of the next round of game cancellations.

Nov. 10
Hall of Fame Game weekend, first big weekend for league on a national scale.

Nov. 23
Black Friday on U.S. Thanksgiving weekend — also the date NBC was to kick off its TV broadcast schedule; a very important date for the NHL.

Dec. 7
Another round of cancellations? Pretty well the latest hold-out date before cancelling the Winter Classic.

Dec. 21
If two more weeks are scrapped here, start thinking about the integrity of season.

Jan. 1
Winter Classic — Toronto vs. Detroit at Ann Arbor, Mich.

Jan. 11
Date the 1994-95 lockout ended, salvaging a 48-game season.

Jan. 18
Be very pessimistic about the season, if there's another round of cancellations.

Feb. 16
Date the 2004-05 season was cancelled.

Hockey

Hasek's hope for NHL return fading

Dominik Hasek appears to be done with hockey after giving up hope of another return to the NHL.

The 47-year-old goalie resumed training ahead of this season hoping to get picked up by an NHL club, but told Czech daily Sport on Tuesday that it is "very unlikely" he would play again after no team offered him a contract amid the current lockout.

Hasek was twice named the NHL's MVP, and took home the Vezina Trophy six times. He announced his retirement in 2002 after winning his first Stanley Cup with the Detroit Red Wings, but came back and then retired from the NHL again in 2008.

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Dominik Hasek speaks on Sept. 5 in Pardubice, Czech Republic. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Tennis

Raonic opens strong in Shanghai

Canada's Milos Raonic reached the second round of the Shanghai Masters, beating Australian qualifier Marinko Matosevic 7-6 (4), 6-3 on Tuesday.

The 12th seed from Thornhill fired 14 aces past Matosevic and won the match in one hour 28 minutes. Raonic will face former Grand Slam finalist Marcos Baghdatis of Cyprus in the second round.

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Monday's result

Baltimore 3 N.Y. Yankees 2

Sunday's result

N.Y. Yankees 7 Baltimore 2

Wednesday's game

Baltimore (Gonzalez 9-4) at N.Y. Yankees (Kuroda 16-11), 7:37 p.m.

Thursday's game

Baltimore (Saunders 3-3) at N.Y. Yankees (Hughes 16-13), 7:37 p.m.

Friday's game

x-Baltimore (Hammel 8-6) at N.Y. Yankees (Sabathia 15-6), 5:07 p.m.

OAKLAND VS. DETROIT

(Detroit leads series 2-0)

Tuesday's result

Detroit at Oakland

Sunday's result

Detroit 5 Oakland 4

Wednesday's game

x-Detroit (Scherzer 16-7) at Oakland (Griffin 7-1), 9:37 p.m.

Thursday's game

x-Detroit (Verlander 17-8) at Oakland (Parker 13-8), 9:37 p.m.

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DIVISION SERIES

(Best-of-5)

WASHINGTON VS. ST. LOUIS

(Series tied 1-1)

Monday's result

St. Louis 12 Washington 4

Sunday's result

Washington 3 St. Louis 2

Wednesday's game

St. Louis (Carpenter 0-2) at Washington (Jackson 10-11), 1:07 p.m.

Thursday's game

St. Louis (Lohse 16-3) at Washington (Detwiler 10-8), 4:07 p.m.

Friday's game

x-St. Louis (Wainwright 14-13) at Washington (Gonzalez 21-8), 8:37 p.m.

CINCINNATI VS. SAN FRANCISCO

(Cincinnati leads series 2-1)

Tuesday's result

San Francisco 2 Cincinnati 1 (0 innings)

Sunday's result

Cincinnati 9 San Francisco 0

Wednesday's game

San Francisco (Zito 15-8) at Cincinnati (Latos 14-4), 4:07 p.m.

Thursday's game

x-San Francisco (Cain 16-5) at Cincinnati (Cueto 19-9), 1:07 p.m.

x — played only if necessary.

GIANTS 2, REDS 1 (10 INNINGS)

San Francisco	ab	r	h	bi	Cincinnati	ab	r	h	bi
Pagan cf	3	0	0	1	Phillips 2b	5	0	1	0
Scutaro 2b	4	0	1	0	Cozart ss	4	1	0	0
Sandoval 3b	4	0	0	0	Votto 1b	2	0	0	0
Posey c	4	1	1	0	Ludwick lf	3	0	1	0
Pence rf	4	0	1	0	Bruce rf	3	0	1	1
Belt 1b	4	0	0	0	Rolen 3b	4	0	1	0
Blanco lf	1	1	0	0	Hanigan c	4	0	0	0
Nady ph-lf	2	0	0	0	Stubbs cf	4	0	0	0
Crawford ss	1	0	0	0	Frazier ph	1	0	0	0
Arias ph-ss	2	0	0	0	Paul ph	1	0	0	0
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Theriot ph	1	0	0	0					
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E—Rolen. LOB—Cincinnati 7, San Francisco 4. SB—Phillips (1). S—Vogelsong. SF—Pagan.

San Francisco	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Vogelsong	5	3	1	1	3	5
Affeldt	2	1	0	0	0	1
Casilla	2-3	0	0	0	1	1
Lopez	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Romo W, 1-0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Cincinnati						
Bailey	7	1	1	1	1	10
Marshall	1	0	0	0	0	1
Chapman	1	0	0	0	0	2
Broxton L, 0-1	1	2	1	0	0	3

PB—Hanigan. **HBP** — Bruce. Blanco.
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ORIOLES 3, YANKEES 2

N.Y. Yankees	ab	r	h	bi	Baltimore	ab	r	h	bi
Jeter ss	5	0	2	1	McLouth lf	4	1	1	0
Suzuki lf	5	1	1	0	Hardy ss	3	0	0	0
Rodriguez 3b	5	0	1	0	Davis rf	4	0	2	2
Cano 2b	3	0	1	1	Chavez pr-rf	0	0	0	0
Swisher rf	4	0	0	0	Jones cf	4	0	1	0
Teixeira 1b	4	0	2	0	Wieters c	4	1	1	0
Martin c	3	0	0	0	Reynolds 1b	4	0	1	1
Granderson cf	4	0	1	0	Thome dh	3	0	0	0
Nunez dh	4	1	1	0	Machado 3b	3	0	0	0
					Andino 2b	3	1	1	0
Totals	**37**	**2**	**9**	**2**	**Totals**	**32**	**3**	**7**	**3**

N.Y. Yankees	100	000	100	**—2**
Baltimore	002	001	00x	**—3**

E—Reynolds, Hardy, Teixeira, Jeter. LOB—Baltimore 6, New York 10. DP—New York 1. Baltimore 1. 2B—Cano (2), Wieters (1), Nunez (1). SB—Suzuki (1).

N.Y. Yankees	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pettitte L, 0-1	7	7	3	3	1	5
Robertson	1	0	0	0	0	1
Baltimore						
Chen W, 1-0	6 1-3	8	2	1	1	3
O'Day H, 1	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Matusz H, 1	1 1-3	1	0	0	1	2
Johnson S, 1	1	0	0	0	0	1

Pettitte pitched to 1 batter in the 8th
WP — Matusz. **Umpires**—Home, Angel Hernandez; First, Brian Gorman; Second, Fieldin Culbreth; Third, Mike Everitt.
T—3:11. **A**—48,187 (45,971) at Baltimore.

SOCCER

MLS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
x-Kansas City	17	7	8	59	40	26
x-Chicago	17	10	5	56	45	39
D.C.	16	10	6	54	49	40
New York	15	9	8	53	54	46
Houston	13	8	11	50	45	38
Columbus	14	11	7	49	40	40
Montreal	12	15	5	41	45	50
Philadelphia	10	15	6	36	35	37
New England	7	17	8	29	37	44
Toronto FC	5	20	7	22	35	60

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
x-San Jose	19	6	7	64	69	40
x-Real Salt Lake	17	11	4	55	46	35
x-Seattle	14	7	10	52	48	31
x-Los Angeles	15	12	5	50	56	45
Vancouver	11	12	9	42	35	40
FC Dallas	9	12	11	38	39	42
Colorado	9	19	4	31	40	50
Portland	7	16	9	30	32	55
Chivas USA	7	17	8	29	22	54

x — clinched playoff berth.

Sunday's results

Columbus 1 Kansas City 1
Chivas USA 1 FC Dallas 1
Seattle 3 Portland 0

Wednesday's game — All Times Eastern

Real Salt Lake at Seattle, 11 p.m.

Saturday's games

Montreal at Toronto, 1:30 p.m.
Kansas City at New York, 7 p.m.
Columbus at D.C., 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at New England, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Houston, 7:30 p.m.
Colorado at Chivas USA, 10:30 p.m.

Sunday's games

Portland at Vancouver, 7 p.m.
Los Angeles at San Jose, 7 p.m.
Dallas at Seattle, 9 p.m.

NBA

PRE-SEASON

Tuesday's results

Memphis at Chicago
Charlotte at New Orleans

At Barcelona, Spain

FC Barcelona Regal 99 Dallas 85

At Canton, Ohio

Milwaukee 97 Cleveland 80

Monday's result

Golden State 83 Utah 80

Wednesday's games

All Times Eastern

Toronto at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Oklahoma City vs. Houston (at Hidalgo, Texas), 8 p.m.
Indiana vs. Minnesota (at Fargo, N.D.), 8 p.m.
Atlanta at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Sacramento, 10 p.m.
Portland vs. L.A. Lakers (at Ontario, Calif.), 10 p.m.

Thursday's games

Miami vs. L.A. Clippers (at Beijing), 7:30 a.m.
New York at Washington, 7 p.m.
Philadelphia at Orlando, 7 p.m.
New Orleans vs. Charlotte (at North Charleston, S.C.), 7:30 p.m.
Maccabi Haifa (Israel) at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

CFL

WEEK 15

EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pt
Montreal	14	8	6	0	382	405	16
Toronto	14	7	7	0	327	357	14
Hamilton	14	5	9	0	421	444	10
Winnipeg	14	4	10	0	274	428	8

WEST DIVISION

x-B.C.	14	10	4	0	365	271	20
Saskatchewan	14	8	6	0	377	290	16
Calgary	14	8	6	0	398	329	16
Edmonton	14	6	8	0	314	334	12

x — clinched playoff berth.

Monday's results

Saskatchewan 36 Toronto 10
Winnipeg 27 Montreal 22

Saturday's result

B.C. 27 Calgary 22

Friday's result

Edmonton 35 Hamilton 20

WEEK 16

Friday's game — All Times Eastern

B.C. at Hamilton, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday's games

Calgary at Winnipeg, 1 p.m.
Saskatchewan at Edmonton, 4 p.m.

Sunday's game

Montreal at Toronto, 1 p.m.

Friday, October 19

Winnipeg at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Edmonton at B.C., 10 p.m.

Saturday, October 20

Montreal at Saskatchewan, 3:30 p.m.
Hamilton at Calgary, 7 p.m.

SCORING LEADERS

	TD	C	FG	S	Pts
McCallum, BC	0	36	96	7	139
Congi, Ham	0	41	93	1	135
Whyte, Mtl	0	40	78	6	124
Palardy, Wpg	0	21	96	5	122
Paredes, Cal	0	36	84	1	121
Shaw, Edm	0	31	69	10	110
Waters, Tor	0	17	72	6	95
DeAngelis, Sask	0	20	69	1	90

NFL

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	3	2	0	.600	165	113
N.Y. Jets	2	3	0	.400	98	132
Miami	2	3	0	.400	103	103
Buffalo	2	3	0	.400	118	176

SOUTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Houston	5	0	0	1.000	149	73
Indianapolis	2	2	0	.500	91	110
Jacksonville	1	4	0	.200	65	138
Tennessee	1	4	0	.200	88	181

NORTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	4	1	0	.800	130	89
Cincinnati	3	2	0	.600	125	129
Pittsburgh	2	2	0	.500	93	89
Cleveland	0	5	0	.000	100	139

WEST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
San Diego	3	2	0	.600	124	102
Denver	2	3	0	.400	135	114
Oakland	1	3	0	.250	67	125
Kansas City	1	4	0	.200	94	145

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	3	2	0	.600	80	99
N.Y. Giants	3	2	0	.600	152	111
Dallas	2	2	0	.500	65	88
Washington	2	3	0	.400	140	147

SOUTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Atlanta	5	0	0	1.000	148	93
Tampa Bay	1	3	0	.250	82	91
Carolina	1	4	0	.200	92	125
New Orleans	1	4	0	.200	141	154

NORTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Minnesota	4	1	0	.800	120	79
Chicago	4	1	0	.800	149	71
Green Bay	2	3	0	.400	112	111
Detroit	1	3	0	.250	100	114

WEST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Arizona	4	1	0	.800	94	78
San Francisco	4	1	0	.800	149	68
St. Louis	3	2	0	.600	96	94
Seattle	3	2	0	.600	86	70

WEEK FIVE

Monday's result

Houston 23 N.Y. Jets 17

Sunday's results

Pittsburgh 16 Philadelphia 14
Indianapolis 30 Green Bay 27
N.Y. Giants 41 Cleveland 27
Miami 17 Cincinnati 13
Baltimore 9 Kansas City 6
Atlanta 24 Washington 17
Chicago 41 Jacksonville 3
Seattle 16 Carolina 12
Minnesota 30 Tennessee 7
San Francisco 45 Buffalo 3
New England 31 Denver 21
New Orleans 31 San Diego 24

Thursday, Oct. 4

St. Louis 17 Arizona 3

WEEK SIX

Thursday's game — All Times Eastern

Pittsburgh at Tennessee, 8:20 p.m.

Sunday's games

St. Louis at Miami, 1 p.m.
Dallas at Baltimore, 1 p.m.
Oakland at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
Kansas City at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.
Indianapolis at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m.
Detroit at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
Cincinnati at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
New England at Seattle, 4:05 p.m.
Buffalo at Arizona, 4:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Washington, 4:25 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at San Francisco, 4:25 p.m.
Green Bay at Houston, 8:20 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 15

Denver at San Diego, 8:30 p.m.

TENNIS

ATP SHANGHAI ROLEX MASTERS

At Shanghai, China

Yesterday's results

Singles — First Round

Milos Raonic (12), Thornhill, Ont., def. Marinko Matosevic, Australia, 7-6 (4), 6-3.

Stanislas Wawrinka (13), Switzerland, def. Albert Ramos, Spain, 7-6 (1), 7-6 (5).

Kei Nishikori (14), Japan, def. Wu Di, China, 6-2, 6-4.

Gilles Simon (15), France, def. Jurgen Melzer, Austria, 6-4, 6-2.

Florian Mayer, Germany, def. Bernard Tomic, Australia, 6-4, 6-0.

Denis Istomin, Uzbekistan, def. Carlos Berlocq, Argentina, 4-6, 6-2, 6-1.

Feliciano Lopez, Spain, def. Alejandro Falla, Colombia, 6-3, 1-6, 6-3.

Viktor Troicki, Serbia, def. Mikhail Youzhny, Russia, 6-3, 2-6, 6-4.

Radek Stepanek, Czech Rep., def. Lleyton Hewitt, Australia, 7-5, 6-1.

Marcos Baghdatis, Cyprus, def. Fabio Fognini, Italy, 6-2, 6-2.

Yen-hsun Lu, Taiwan, def. Zheng Ze, China, 6-0, 6-2.

Second Round

Fernando Verdasco, Spain, def. Juan Monaco (7), Argentina, 6-4, 6-2.

John Isner (8), U.S., def. Kevin Anderson, South Africa, 7-6 (3), 6-7 (8), 7-6 (7).

Marin Cilic (10), Croatia, def. Martin Klizan, Slovakia, 7-5, 6-1.

WTA GENERALI LADIES LINZ

At Linz, Austria

Singles — First Round

Julia Goerges (5), Germany, def. Daniela Hantuchova, Slovakia, 6-4, 7-6 (5).

Mallory Burdette, U.S., def. Yanina Wickmayer (6), Belgium, 6-3, 6-4.

Bethanie Mattek-Sands, U.S., def. Tamira Paszek (7), Austria, 6-2, 6-4.

Carla Suarez Navarro, Spain, def. Magdalena Rybarikova, Slovakia, 6-3, 6-4.

Romina Oprandi, Switzerland, def. Alexandra Cadantu, Romania, 6-2, 6-1.

Kirsten Flipkens, Belgium, def. Alize Cornet, France, 6-4, 6-3.

Simona Halep, Romania, def. Lesia Tsurenko, Ukraine, 3-0 (retired).

Irina-Camelia Begu, Romania, def. Catalina Castano, Colombia, 6-0, 6-4.

Andrea Petkovic, Germany, def. Barbora Zahlavova Strycova, Czech Rep., 7-6 (3), 6-2.

Petra Martic, Croatia, def. Sorana Cirstea, Romania, 6-4, 6-3.

WTA HP JAPAN OPEN

At Osaka, Japan

Singles — First Round

Zheng Jie (2), China, def. Maria Jose Martinez Sanchez, Spain, 4-6, 7-5, 6-4.

Olga Puchkova, Russia, def. Francesca Schiavone (4), Italy, 6-4, 2-1, retired.

Tamarine Tanasugarn, Thailand, def. Yaroslava Shvedova (5), Kazakhstan, 6-3, 6-2.

Anabel Medina Garrigues (6), Spain, def. Camila Giorgi, Italy, 3-6, 6-2, 6-2.

Chanelle Scheepers (7), South Africa, def. Alexa Glatch, U.S., 6-4, 6-1.

Laura Robson (8), Britain, def. Eleni Daniilidou, Greece, 6-4, 6-2.

Virginie Razzano, France, def, Nudnida Luangnam, Thailand, 6-3, 6-3.

Zhou Yi-Miao, China, def. Kurumi Nara, Japan, 7-5, 6-4.

Doubles— First Round

Darija Jurak, Croatia, and Katalin Marosi (3), Hungary, def. Chang Kai-chen, Taiwan, and Noppawan Lertcheewakarn, Thailand, 4-6, 6-4, 10-7.

Kimiko Date-Krumm, Japan, and Heather Watson (4), Britain, def. **Eugenie Bouchard, Westmount, Que.,** and Alexa Glatch, U.S., 6-3, 6-2.

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Giants squeak out win as Reds misplay sweep

MLB. San Francisco lives to play another game despite picking up just three hits, striking out 16 times

Tuesday's game

Giants	Reds
2	1

Hardly able to get a hit, the San Francisco Giants used a misplayed grounder to prolong their NL playoff series.

Third baseman Scott Rolen's two-out error in the 10th inning gave the Giants the go-ahead run Tuesday night in a 2-1 victory over the Cincinnati Reds, who couldn't shake 17 years of home postseason futility.

The Giants avoided a sweep in Game 3, cutting their division series deficit to 2-1.

Rolen, an eight-time Gold Glove winner, couldn't come up with Joaquin Arias' short-hop grounder, bobbled it and threw late to first.

"I've gone through the play many times in my mind between then and now, and I think I would play it the same way," Rolen said. "It hit my glove. I just couldn't get it to stick."

The Giants managed only three hits against Homer Bailey and Reds relievers, but got two of them in the 10th — along with a passed ball by Ryan Hanigan — to pull it out. San Francisco won despite striking out 16 times.

Cincinnati finished with four hits, just one after the first inning.

Left-hander Barry Zito will pitch Game 4 on Wednesday for the Giants, who have won the last 11 times he started. The Reds have to decide whether to try ace Johnny Cueto, forced out of the opener in San Francisco on Saturday with spasms in his back and side. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cincinnati Reds third baseman Scott Rolen bobbles a ball hit by Joaquin Arias of the San Francisco Giants, allowing the game-winning run to score in Game 3 of their National League Division Series on Tuesday in Cincinnati.
JONATHAN DANIEL/GETTY IMAGES

NFL. 'Really no excuse' for Bills' defensive shortcomings, says GM

Buddy Nix places the blame for the Buffalo Bills' defensive meltdowns on an overall lack of urgency and not solely on high-priced defensive end Mario Williams. And the Bills general manager maintained his confidence in coach Chan Gailey's ability to turn around a team suddenly facing an early season crisis.

Otherwise, Nix finds himself as frustrated and "puzzled" as anyone after watching his team get outscored by a combined margin of 97-31 in its past two games.

"Well, obviously, we're not pleased with it. There's really no excuse for losing the way we did," Nix said Tuesday during a telephone conference call with reporters. "We're all to blame. Let's do better. Hell, let's get it going."

Nix spoke from Phoenix, where the Bills (2-3) are spending the week preparing to play the Arizona Cardinals (4-1) Sunday.

The Bills elected to stay out west to save time on travel after a 45-3 loss at San Francisco on Sunday. And yet there are many fans beginning to wonder whether the team should come home at all after putting up consecutive duds, including a 52-28 loss to New England a week earlier.

It's a two-game stretch in which the Bills have allowed 1,201 yards offence, the most by an NFL team since the New York Yanks surrendered 1,227 over that span in 1950. Buffalo has particularly struggled in the second half in each loss, having been outscored 73-14 over the past two games.
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Buffalo Bills defensive end Mario Williams has come under fire following a pair of lopsided losses.
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Valanciunas' wait is over

NBA. Raptors rookie from Lithuania has been chomping at the bit to play. Toronto plans to give him his chance on Wednesday

Toronto Raptors Jonas Valanciunas shoots baskets during training camp in Halifax Oct. 5. After a minor setback, Valanciunas is expected to play against the Detroit Pistons on Wednesday. ANDREW VAUGHAN/THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

In the few minutes the media saw the Raptors working on half-court offensive sets Tuesday afternoon, the one glaringly apparent fact was that Jonas Valanciunas loves to play basketball.

He wanted in every drill, set screens, got rebounds, took shots and was having a ball.

Imagine how he'll feel Wednesday night in Auburn Hills, Mich.

After a minor setback thanks to a strained calf that sidelined him for a week of training camp, Valanciunas is expected in the lineup when the Raptors face the Detroit Pistons in their second exhibition game.

"We're going to throw him out there," coach Dwane Casey said after Valanciunas went through a full three-hour contact practice at the Air Canada Centre.

"We're going to see how his body feels (Wednesday) after going through (Tuesday) and then we'll make the decision. Well see how he reacts but we're anticipating looking at him (against the Pistons)."

He's been working diligently on the side, under the auspices of director of sports science Alex McKechnie, since he suffered the injury before camp began and he even tried to sneak into a few full speed drills during a week of work in Halifax.

He was caught and sent back to the sidelines to work individually but it does speak to his eagerness to get on the court for real, something that hasn't gone unnoticed by his teammates.

"Jonas does a lot," said guard John Lucas III. "I don't know if a lot of people know his game yet but he can knock down a 15-footer, he's athletic, he just plays hard."

Long season or not, the Raptors are eager to see how Valanciunas's exuberance on the practice court carries over to a game — even if it is just an exhibition. Casey didn't say how much Valanciunas will play, if he does; he just wants to see something and let the 20-year-old start his indoctrination into the NBA style of play.

"He looks good, he's got active, active hands, he's long, not afraid of contact, he'll hit you first," said Casey. "Again, we want to work with him to make sure he makes the right decisions, when to screen, when to hit people so he doesn't get the cheap fouls." TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Quoted

"Every time he gets the ball in the paint, he's trying to dunk it so it's either going to be a dunk or a foul."

Raptors guard John Lucas III on his teammate Jonas Valanciunas

Obituary

Father of Toronto FC coach dies

The father of Toronto FC manager Paul Mariner has died in England.

Mariner's father had been ill and the former England international got word late last week that he had taken a turn for the worse. Mariner, 59, flew to England after his team's 1-0 loss to D.C. United on Saturday.

His father died early Tuesday, the MLS club confirmed. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Tennis

Nadal gears up for return from injury

Rafael Nadal is eager to trade in his backstroke for his backhand.

Swimming as part of his rehabilitation from a left knee injury, Rafael Nadal says he has been more encouraged recently about his progress and hopes to resume practice soon. He didn't rule out playing next month in the ATP World Tour Finals or Davis Cup final, but added that such a quick return would be difficult. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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- **Mileage.** 10.5l/100km and 7.7 on highway
- **Type.** Four door, front two or four-wheel drive.
- **Base price (incl destination).** Starts at $31,600

Styling and shape

The new Pathfinder, which arrives this fall, has been on a serious diet, shedding about 110 kilograms over the outgoing model. This meant converting to a unitized (frameless) platform that's shared with Nissan's Infiniti JX luxury wagon.

The V6 is teamed with a continuously variable transmission (CVT).

Drive options

Nissan's 4x4 option is worth it for anyone living or working in snow-belt regions where being stranded in -30 C conditions is just not an option. The All-Mode 4x4-i system allows you to select either two- or four-wheel-drive, or engage the Auto setting and let the All-Mode make the call, depending on tire slippage.

Comfort

Passenger comfort was apparently paramount with Nissan's designers, who created a third-row reclining seat and a second row with 13 centimetres of fore and after travel. The split-second bench also features an "EX Flex" portion that slides forward for easier third-row access.

Review. Yes, the idea of a front-wheel-drive Pathfinder will take getting used to, but when did you last go off road anyway?

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It was a category full of off-roaders that buyers just couldn't get enough of. The seemingly unstoppable Ford Explorer. The go-anywhere Nissan Pathfinder. It's amazing how things change in five or six years. In simple terms, the Explorer and Pathfinder are no longer truck-based, off-road-capable sport utility vehicles.

Like the Explorer, Nissan's seven-passenger bus has emerged from its chrysalis as a family wagon able to conquer nasty road and weather conditions. The Tennessee-built wagon had remained virtually untouched since the 2005 model year. A robust body-on-frame chassis made it ideal for boulder-bashing, creek-fording activities.

The new sheet metal manages a passing resemblance to the outgoing rig as far as the grille is concerned. But from there the quaintly boxy body-of-old, with its muscular fender flares, has given way to gentle curves and rounded edges.

The Pathfinder S is expected to come with the usual accessories, including tri-zone climate control and 14 cup/bottle holders. The SV adds roof rails and a rearview monitor while leather-covered seats, remote engine start and a power liftgate are SL highlights. From there, the sky's the limit on the options front, with features such as an up-level sound system.

The reborn Pathfinder might have been stripped of its traditional sport bravado, but it will certainly add new friends with an easy-on-gas powertrain, easy-to-take creature comforts and easy-on-the-eyes design.

The Pathfinder dash is very Nissan-y, blocky and simple. In this day and age, it's weird not see silver plastic all over the place.

What the Pathfinder loses in extreme off-road ruggedness it gets back in technology, but it's pretty much the norm when in the company of vehicles such as the Ford Explorer.

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How the sea holds the key to totally revamp the car industry

AutoKnow. The ocean can provide, through its seaweed, new materials and new fuel for next-generation environmentally-friendly vehicles

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The common belief is that something won't last very long unless it's created in a lab. That might always be the case, but the source material for such parts is quite literally in a liquid state.

Cars with bodies and parts made from seaweed and powered by biofuel derived from algae and saltwater could be the wave of the future if a couple of companies have anything to say about it.

Toyota has an ultralight, super-efficient plug-in hybrid vehicle featuring a bioplastic body made from seaweed. According to the company, it could be available inside of 15 years.

Automakers are looking for ways to increase the amount of plastic parts in cars as a means to reduce weight and production emissions. Today, steel is still thought to be the best material to crank out cars, but the use of plastic is quickly gaining ground.

Even luxury automakers such as BMW and Mercedes-Benz use more plastic in their vehicles than ever before ... and that trend looks like it's continuing. Demand for bioplastics is expected to hit $100 billion within a couple of years, according to a 2009 USA Today story.

One snag, however, is that most plastics today still trace their roots to petroleum. Conventional petroleum-based plastic products don't do much to alleviate North America's dependence on oil, not to mention the associated economic, environmental and geo-political problems that come along for the ride.

Innovative

"I want to create such a vehicle from seaweed because Japan is surrounded by the sea."

New Toyota 1-X project manager Tetsuya Kaida, on utilizing Japan's large coastline to fuel Toyota's new idea for a vehicle partly made from seaweed.

That's some of the thinking behind Toyota's green vision for the future and the 1/X Concept, so named because its "carbon footprint" is claimed to be a fraction of that of other cars.

While not totally new - the 1/X Concept made its public debut at the 2007 Tokyo Motor Show – this "environmentally considerate" hybrid is an interesting spinoff on the original concept.

About the same general size as Toyota's current Prius gas-electric hybrid, the revised 1/X still combines a home-rechargeable lithium-ion battery pack with a 0.5-litre flexible-fuel engine in a drive system that's about 25 per cent of the Prius's powertrain.

A very strong carbon fiber-reinforced plastic (CFRP) frame contributes to the car's light 926-pound curb weight, less than one-third of the Prius.

But the 1/X Concept's most noteworthy attribute can be seen in bioplastic body panels derived from seaweed. "We used lightweight carbon fiber in the frame for its superior collision safety," project manager Tetsuya Kaida said of the 1/X. "But that material is made from oil. In the future, I'm sure we will have access to new and better materials such as those made from plants, something natural.

"In fact, I want to create such a vehicle from seaweed because Japan is surrounded by the sea."

Kaida added that the 1/X Concept "points the way toward a much more sustainable relationship between humans and the environment. It's also a direction for a future Prius, two or three generations ahead of the current car."

Florida-based Algenol Biofuels, working in partnership with Dow Chemicals, has big plans to power such future cars with its proprietary algae-to-ethanol biofuel.

Typical corn-based ethanol has been criticized for straining the world's food supply, contributing to global warming by encouraging the plowing of grasslands and consuming a substantial amounts the annual U.S. corn crop.

The Algenol approach solves those problems by producing its ethanol fuel without occupying arable land or consuming feedstocks needed for human or animal consumption, a conflict that has been in the news many times this summer due to drought-ravaged crop yields. All it needs for production is seawater, sunlight and algae.

Could the riches of the sea bring the automotive industry into a new light-weight era? ALL IMAGES WHEELBASE

Florida plant where new fuel Algenol is made.

The new Toyota project vehicle the 1/X Concept is partly made of seaweed.

The facts: Seaweed as a fuel

- **Algenol.** This new fuel is made in bioreactors (read below) using seaweed and photosynthesis. It is ethanol but it's just produced in a much more environmentally sound way than actual ethanol which has been criticized for depleting food stocks through its production.
- **Algae bioreactors.** These are 50-foot-long by five-feet-wide troughs covered with flexible plastic and filled with about 1,000 gallons of saltwater. The water is then saturated with carbon dioxide to encourage algae growth.
- **Ethanol vs Algenol comparisons.** Algenol touts 6,000 gallons of ethanol per year per acre at a cost of less than $1 per gallon. By comparison, corn produces about 370 gallons per year per acre while sugar cane accounts for about 890 gallons per acre.
- **The future.** With 139 million square miles of ocean covering the earth's surface, and containing a volume of some 329 million cubic miles, there looks to be no shortage of future fuels from this promising process.

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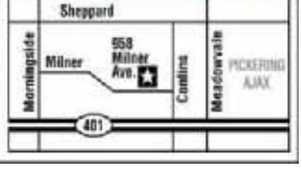

Peugeot's concept gem is much more than four-wheel eye candy

Onyx. The slick car's looks may hold your attention but under its shiny exterior lies many admirable, greener features

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The Peugeot Onyx allows its looks to do the talking but there is much more to this car than just aesthetics. CONTRIBUTED

Sugarcoating gets a bad wrap. A coat of sweety goodness over something unsweet? What's wrong with that?

If it weren't for Honey Nut Cheerios a lot of us would be woefully deficient in essential substances, like Riboflavin, Thiamine and sodium.

There is a type of sugar coating in the automotive world too and it is equally delicious — the concept car.

Automakers need to constantly develop technologies, some exciting, some boring, some in the middle. When it comes time to let the world and their stakeholders know about the fruits of their labours, automakers help their cause by almost always incorporating the various technologies into a sexy concept form, then unveiling that vehicle at a major auto show with a photogenic human accompanying it on stage.

The alternative would be to present a technical paper about the technologies at an industry symposium, the kind filled with large name badges, stale "urn" coffee and break-out sessions. Guess which communication method gets the most attention? A case in point is the Peugeot Onyx, the concept that stole the spotlight at the recent 2012 Paris auto show.

Peugeot could have just told us about the technological areas they're currently working on, like… making vehicles look like they've been handcrafted by metalwork artisans… gaining lightness through carbon fibre… developing sporty and fuel-efficient diesel engines… capturing and re-deploying a car's kinetic energy… And trying to build vehicles with more recyclable materials.

All that sounds good, but the Peugeot Onyx looks even better. The doors and front fenders are fashioned from pure copper, by hand, by a master craftsman. Being copper, the metal's appearance will change over time. The rest of the body panels are carbon fibre, painted black. The carbon fibre chassis features less individual parts than normal. This "monolithic" design furthers both stiffness and lightness; it tips the scales just over 100 kg (220 pounds).

Mounted mid-ship is Peugeot Sport's 3.7-litre diesel V8, a version of which sees duty in the automaker's Le Mans racers. It transmits 600 hp to the rear wheels via a six-speed sequential gearbox. The Hybrid4 technology recovers kinetic energy usually lost during braking, by storing it in lithium batteries, then automatically delivering it during acceleration, boosting power by a further 80 horses.

The main material in the interior is wool felt. The wool felt is formed as a one-piece pod — we're talking bucket seats, floor, upper console, and roof! The pod is fitted directly against the carbon fibre structure, and even does double-duty as soundproofing material. In places where it contacts the body, there is extra foam.

The dashboard and part of the console are constructed of old newspapers, or more precisely, old newspapers compressed under great pressure to form "logs." Apparently the logs seem to have a "grain" to them, and on closer inspection you can see that the grains are created by the newspaper's printed type. The Peugeot Onyx is eye candy, yes, but like a lot of automotive concepts it is very healthy eye candy — the kind with real fibre, protein, and nutrients.

Michelin's Green X tire brand. PHOTO COURTESY OF MICHELIN

Increase safety and save on fuel with a wise tire choice

Driving Force. Look for the right balance when choosing rubber for your vehicle with maximum gas savings and tread life in mind

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It might surprise you to know that very little of your gasoline's energy — only about 15 per cent — is actually used to move the car forward. In addition to such things as wasted heat, idling, and aerodynamic drag, your tires are also chewing up your fuel.

"Twenty per cent of the energy consumption on a car is to overcome the tires' rolling resistance," says Ron Margadonna, senior technical marketing manager for Michelin North America. "It's not the largest — aerodynamic drag is larger – but it's a significant energy that you have to overcome."

Minimizing this friction has long been a factor in the design of most tires, but rising fuel prices and tighter government fuel economy standards are making low rolling resistance (LRR) even more important with tire manufacturers. The major challenge is that tires involve a number of attributes, including tread wear longevity, road noise, and traction when braking or on wet roads. Manufacturers who concentrate too much on one attribute will compromise the others.

In some cases, trade-offs are acceptable: someone who buys an extremely "sticky" tire for high-performance handling on a race track knows that this tire will wear quickly, for example. However, most consumers want tires that balance these attributes. Tire makers use special rubber compounds, tire construction, and tread patterns to maximize the tire's performance, including its fuel efficiency. "The key is managing that energy as the tire deforms through its revolution, so there are advanced polymers that we're using," Margadonna says. "Comfort and noise levels have been improved in low rolling resistance tires." Michelin uses a "Green X" logo on the sidewalls of its tires that use these fuel-saving technologies.

Things to note

- **Inflation.** No matter what tire you buy, proper inflation is the key to maximum fuel savings, tread life and performance. Check your tire pressure once a month.
- **New breed.** Within a few years new tires will be sold with easy-to-understand labels that will rate their fuel efficiency, tread wear and safety for wet traction.

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CTS most important Cadillac of our time — just avoid the 2003

Second gear. CTS owners often recommend against first-year models

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At its launch, the Cadillac CTS was a cost-effective alternative to a European machine for its North American buyers — and it competed largely with the likes of BMW, Audi and Mercedes. In addition to posing a threat to its competition, the CTS's big story was its styling — which showed off the brand's new visual language and striking, angular lines. Look for features like a Bose audio system, navigation, xenon lighting, a sunroof and heated seats. Dual-zone automatic climate control was standard.

Common issues

CTS's problems come across as relatively minor in the grand scheme of higher-tech luxury cars. As with many all-new vehicles, headaches tend to be more prevalent early on — so avoid the first year (2003) CTS.

The variable effort steering solenoid in 2003 models is prone to failure, resulting in a "service steering system" warning light. A fuel gauge problem may result in an empty reading after a fill-up if the engine is left running in the process.

Any groaning, moaning, clicking or grinding noise from the vehicle's rear end should be questioned, and the particular unit avoided unless the differential gets a 'thumbs up' from a Cadillac mechanic. Finally, check the automatic transmission for signs of a troublesome leak which could cause damage or failure.

What owners like

Styling, value, feature content and comfort are typically highly-rated by CTS owners. Performance with the larger V6 engine is also noted to be a positive.

What owners dislike

Some owners wish for a more upscale cabin, larger rear seats and better mileage.

The verdict

Avoid the 2003 and look for an extended warranty, and you'll be on your way to enjoying the most important Cadillac model in recent history.

Car details

- **Model.** 2003 to 2007 Cadillac CTS.
- **Vehicle Type.** Luxury Sedan.
- **Engines.** Look for V6 engines with displacement between 2.8 and 3.6 litres, producing between 210 and 255 horsepower. Manual or automatic transmissions were available.

Interior of CTS. HANDOUT

Don't let fuel efficiency woes weigh you down

The heavier your vehicle is the more energy it needs to move so it makes sense to pay attention to the size and weight of the vehicle you intend to drive. Consider these facts from the office of energy efficiency for vehicles at Natural Resources Canada.

• Heavier vehicles have greater inertia and rolling resistance, which both contribute to increased fuel consumption.

• Reducing weight means reducing fuel consumption. Increasingly stringent government fuel consumption legislation and evolving consumer choices are making a difference.

• It is increasingly common to see automakers advertising their weight reduction initiatives. Automakers are achieving weight reductions by substituting lighter materials, such as aluminum and advanced composites, as well as vehicle design changes.

• These improvements enable additional weight reductions, since other vehicle components may then be downsized, ultimately leading to engine downsizing with no sacrifice in performance — the less weight you have, the less weight you need.

• Reducing weight means reducing fuel cost. A study by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology found that for every 100 kg weight reduction, the adjusted, combined city/highway fuel consumption could decrease by about 0.4 L/100 km for cars, and about 0.5 L/100 km for light trucks. .

• Only buy what you need. When possible, choose a smaller vehicle with a smaller, more fuel-efficient engine.

• Don't carry unneeded items in your trunk as the extra weight will up fuel consumption.

Reducing weight is one of the ways you can save on fuel and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. For more tips on fuel efficiency visit oee.nrcan.gc.ca.

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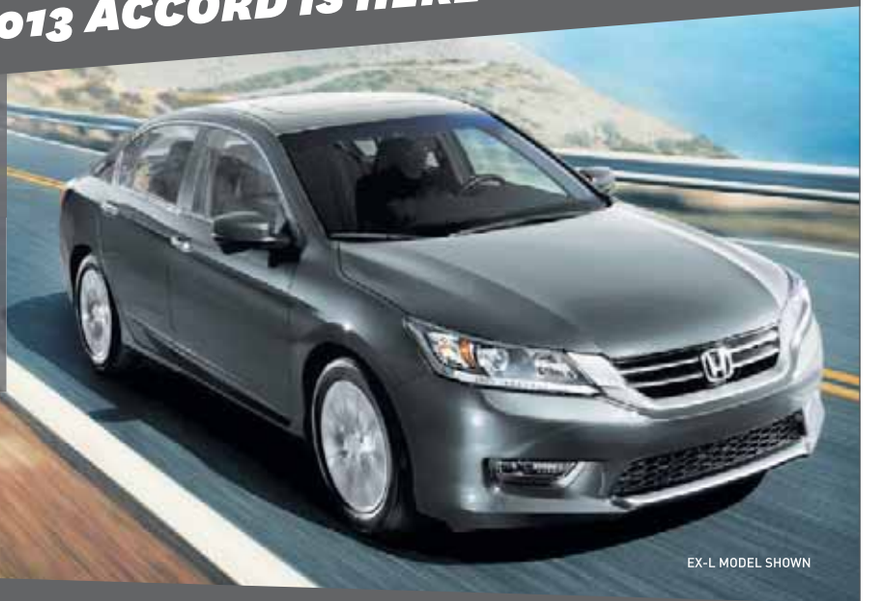

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A piece of Grand Prix history

Before TV brought live Formula One racing into our homes, a portion of each event would be filmed, primarily for use by the race team's sponsoring companies. The films depicted numerous drivers behind the wheel as well as outside their cockpits. Brunswick Films of London, England, has compiled The Grand Prix Collection that covers the 1970-'79 seasons. That was one of the more interesting and colourful periods in the history F1. Brunswick's boxed set of DVDs – one for each year – includes more than 80 hours of footage, much of which is never seen before. Visit brunswickfilms.com for more motoring dvds, and/or purchase the box set for US $235 from worldclassmotoring.com.

Spruce up your cuffs

Even gearheads will take off their jeans and T-shirts and get dressed up once in a while. When they do, why not add a pair of silver speedometer and gauge cufflinks supplied by Cuff-Daddy to the wardrobe. These racing-inspired replicas feature an authentic-looking 5/8-inch diameter speedometer that attaches to one cuff, while the other contains an equal-sized fuel gauge. Each one features an acrylic coating for protection and is covered by Cuff-Daddy's lifetime warranty. The US $30 price (including shipping within the United States) includes a hard-sided presentation box. There are many other automotive-related cufflinks, such as disc-brake rotors and tiny Formula One cars available atcuff-daddy.com.

Belt and buckle, up!

We all know that seatbelts save lives, but did you know a seatbelt belt from Buckle-Down could possibly save you from the embarrassment of inadvertently dropping your drawers? You can choose from a variety of authentic-looking one-size-fits-all belts for a 24- to 38-inch waist while their 1.5-inch (four-centimetre) width will fit most pant loops. You can select from various officially licensed major car brands. And if you're worried about accessorizing, there are 20 different colours to choose from. Prices begin at US $23, at beltsdirect.com.

Keep on truckin'

The story of Smith-Miller is fascinating, and can be read on the company's website. Let's just say that Smith-Miller's 1:16-scale line of transport trucks and trailers is some of the most unique to be found anywhere. Each one is a limited-edition model and individually numbered. Some are made using new-old stock pieces that date back to the 1950s while others are reproduced using the original dies from that period. On the other hand, some are brand new creations. All are hand-assembled in the U.S. and reproduced in steel with polished aluminum wheels, rubber tires, chrome accessories, functioning suspensions and wheels that turn. The price of toy-truck nostalgia isn't cheap, between $700-$1,100 at smittytoytrucks.com.

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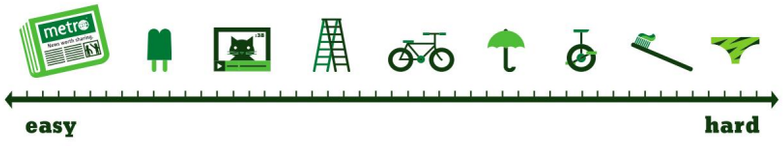

Cars and computers

Internet influences car buying

THE WHEEL DEAL
Todd Bourgon, Executive Director, Toronto Automobile Dealers Association

In September, the Trillium Automobile Dealers Association hosted automotive digital marketing conferences in Toronto, London and Ottawa.

All three conferences were full-day events attended by dealer heads, sales managers, automotive students and marketing personnel and featured some of North America's leading internet marketers.

The speakers shared some fascinating stats about online marketing, and provided plenty of practical information for those in attendance. The conferences were hugely successful and timely.

Just two years ago, a majority of Canadian car dealers were missing the boat with online marketing.

Websites featured cookie-cutter templates, outdated information and few interactive capabilities.

Today, dealers are aggressively developing online tools and strategies to connect with customers and manage their reputations.

According to Google, when shopping for cars today, 58 per cent of research is performed online, and consumers will visit 18 sources of information on average before making a purchasing decision (in 2011, that figure was 10).

Prior to 1995 (when the Internet gained mass acceptance), car shoppers' ability to research different makes and models was limited to a few print publications and consumer magazines.

Word of mouth and reputation were still important, but there were no websites where consumers could go to share their experiences and opinions about a dealership or manufacturer.

Today, consumers have access to thousands of credible sources of information, including manufacturer websites, online pricing guides, automotive blogs, social media pages, and independent review sites.

One of the biggest influences for car buyers is third-party reviews at sites like Yelp, DealerRater and Google Places. According to one of the speakers at the conference, 84 per cent of Americans say that online evaluations influence their buying decisions.

Another important theme to emerge from the conference is the need for credible and relevant content. Faced with this growing appetite for information, dealers have been exploring multiple technologies to weave their own narratives and leverage their brands.

Of course, the big winners in this digital information revolution are car shoppers, who now have access to an astonishing array of credible information on all types of automobiles, brands, accessories and services.

Although dealers are working hard to stay ahead of the digital curve and to improve the car buying experience, digital marketing is still in its infancy.

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The fast facts about electric vehicles

With Canada half way to meeting its 2020 target for reducing greenhouse gas emissions, consumers may be wondering what they can do to help.

Adopting greener driving habits is certainly one way, especially by incorporating new technologies, such as electric vehicles. Here's what you need to know.

• Electric drives will improve the fuel efficiency of your vehicle, reduce fuel costs and reduce carbon dioxide (CO_2) emissions.

• The cost of electricity per kilometre is attractive, at about three cents/km, compared to the average gasoline vehicle at about 13 cents/km. More than 200,000 km electricity would be about $6,000, while gasoline would be about $26,000.

• Electric drives are substantially more efficient than combustion engines and drivetrains. The energy conversion efficiency is about 60 per cent for electric vehicles compared to about 20 per cent for gasoline vehicles.

Challenges

• Electric vehicles need somewhere to plug in. Although standard 120 volt home outlets will work, charge time is 16 to 20 hours. A 240 volt home charging station can be installed to reduce the charge times to six to 10 hours. **NEWS CANADA**

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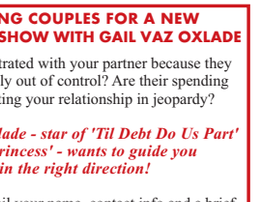

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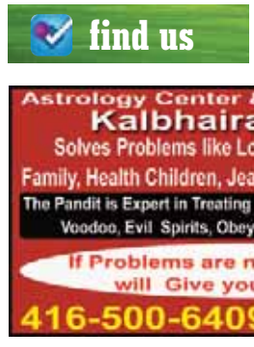
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Horoscopes

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
Things may get hot over the next 24 hours, but that's OK because you are the kind of person who thrives when the pressure is on. Just make sure you remember to keep thinking. Instinct alone won't be enough.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
You may have to give ground to a rival today, simply because he or she is even more stubborn than you are! The planets warn that if you go toe-to-toe with them, it could be you who comes off second best.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
If someone you work or do business with gets a bit aggressive today, you would be wise not to meet their challenge head-on. This is the kind of confrontation you cannot win, so be sensible.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
You are in the kind of mood where you are quite prepared to turn your life upside down if you believe it is needed to bring success. You may be right, but don't go too far and get rid of everything.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
You will get what you want today — one way or the other. But Mercury linked to power planet Pluto suggests you may upset a few people along the way. Do you care? That just has to be a stupid question.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Put the past behind you and focus on the future. There is no point dwelling on what might have been, and why would you want to when your current prospects are so good? Each day can be a new beginning.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Do you have the guts to take some kind of gamble? If you do, it could well pay off — especially if you act decisively on what your inner voice tells you. Others will disagree, of course. But they know nothing.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Mercury in your sign linked to your ruler Pluto means there is not a shadow of doubt in your mind, but others are not so sure you know what you are doing. Your task today is to find ways to convince them.

♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Seize the initiative today. Make your bid for fame and fortune. If you don't, you may look back later and wonder what might have been — and the worst part is, you will never know. Do something daring!

♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Sometimes in life you have to make a decision and stick to it, and this is one of those times. Whatever you are called to act on today, you must be brave and you must be bold. Anything less invites failures.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
You know what needs to be done in your life, so get on and do it and don't worry about whether or not other people will approve. Remember: You don't have to please them — they have to please you.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
If you are happy with your life the way it is then fine. If, however, there are things you would like to change now is the time to start making plans. Make them big plans too. Don't limit your horizons.

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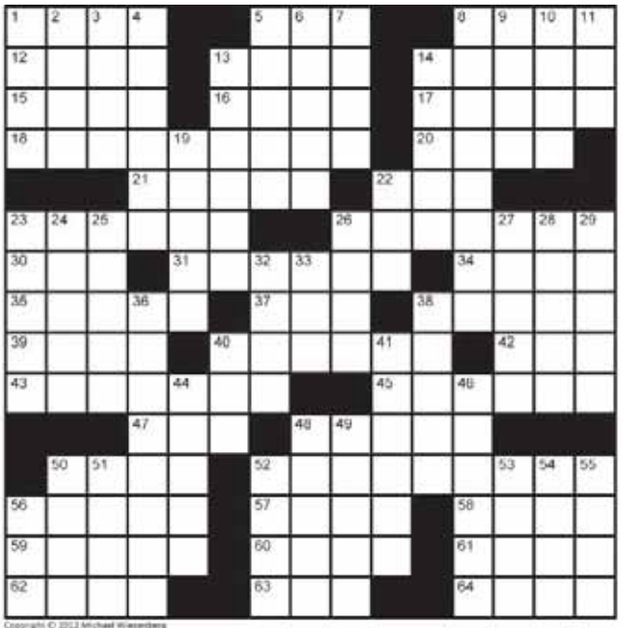

Across
1. Permits (someone to do something)
5. Chicken ___ king (2 wds.)
8. Double-reed woodwind
12. Skin soother
13. Actor Alda, Ladd, or Rickman
14. Witch
15. "... was blind but now ___": Amazing Grace (2 wds.)
16. It blows off the ocean
17. Smell
18. Curtails
20. Predicament
21. Conceals
22. Not him
23. Duress
26. Northwest ___: sea route on the Canadian mainland's north coast
30. When doubled, a dance
31. Engraved with acid
34. Ailments
35. Arise anew
37. ___ *and Order*
38. Pig's nose
39. Summers: Fr.
40. Kidnapper's demand for money
42. Society page adjective that means "born" in French
43. Sang like a bird
45. Disappear, like a hairline
47. Not young
48. Eucalyptus-loving marsupial of Australia
50. Plant used to make poi
52. Largest New Brunswick city, whose spelling is sometimes confused with the capital of Newfoundland and Labrador (2 wds.)
56. Bay of ___: location of 52-Across
57. Crooned
58. *Garfield* comic strip dog
59. Signed, as a contract
60. Give's opposite
61. Evil grin
62. Close at hand
63. Bro's female counterpart
64. Defunct US gasoline brand still active in Canada

Down
1. Refuge
2. "If all ___ fails, read the directions"
3. Baby's "piggies"
4. Be boiling mad
5. Wonderland girl
6. Goes on and on
7. Aardvark delicacies
8. Has food delivered (2 wds.)
9. Heckles
10. Burden
11. Always: poetic contraction
13. Among
14. Arrives
19. Step part
22. "I've ___ it with you!"
23. Alternative to a nail
24. 8th Greek letter, it comes before iota
25. Grand Prix car
26. Church benches
27. By oneself
28. Applied epoxy
29. ___ Lauder: cosmetics and fragrance brand
32. Dressed
33. Solo of *Star Wars*
36. Boundary that runs through four Great Lakes (2 wds.)
38. Silvery food fish
40. Valentine color
41. Citrus fruit that's also a color
44. Actor Christopher of the *Back to the Future* series
46. Coax gently
48. Hawaii's Garden Isle
49. Pig sounds
50. Adjust to the correct pitch
51. Ottawa-born singer/composer who wrote My Way
52. Former faster-than-sound jets: initialism
53. Wordsworth works
54. Goes quickly
55. Fiddler while Rome burned
56. Fish's steering mechanism

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9	7		6		5		4	2
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6	2		8		4		7	3
		7				4		
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	6		1	8	9		3	

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